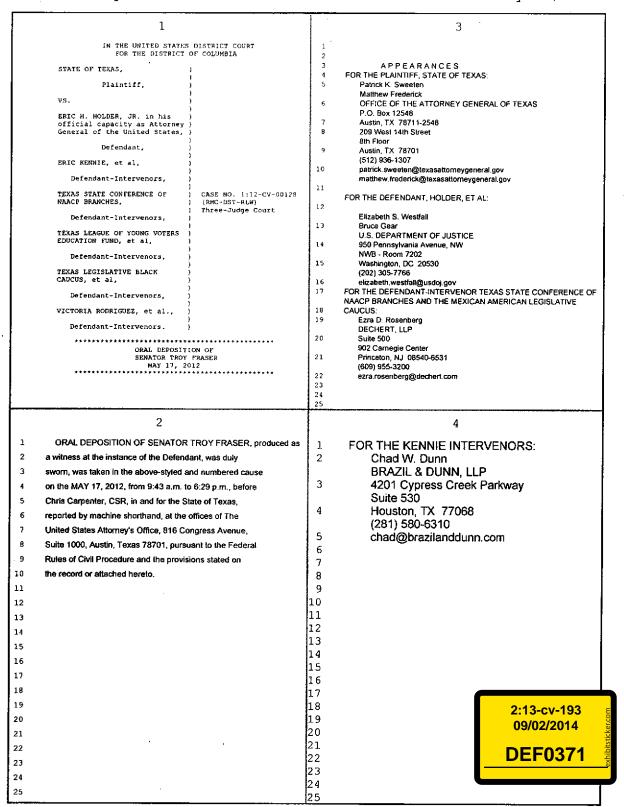
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2	Appearances,2	1	•
3	SENATOR TROY FRASER	2	reason, just let me know, and we can take a break. We
4	Examination by Ms. Westfall6 Examination by Mr. Rosenberg295	3	will take breaks probably several times today and also
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	Signature and Changes318	5	you would like to take a break, if you could go ahead
6	Paradala Cadificata 200	6	and answer that question first before we take a break,
7	Reporter's Certificate320	7	I'd appreciate it. Is that clear?
	EXHIBITS	8	A. Yes.
9	NO DESCRIPTION PAGE MARKED	9	Q. You understand that you've been sworn in and
9	NO. DESCRIPTION PAGE MARKED	10	you're under oath and you may be subject to penalty of
	43 Deposition Notice 16	11	perjury for giving false or misleading testimony just
0	44 UD No. 4700 PO	12	like a trial, okay?
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12	10. Francis of constitution of the Operation of 1007	14	Q. Do you understand these instructions?
.3	46 Excerpt of proceedings of the Committee of 207 the Whole Senate on Tuesday, March 10	15	A. Yes, I do.
	2009	16	<ul> <li>Q. Do you have any questions about these</li> </ul>
.4	47 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	17	instructions?
.5	47 Senate Journal of the fifth day, 283 Wednesday, January the 26th	18	A. No.
6	48 Texas Tribune article 289	19	Q. Are you on any medication today that would have
7	49 Excerpt of Senate Record 311	20	any impact on your ability to testify truthfully at this
.8 9		21	deposition?
0		22	A. No. I should qualify: I've had knee surgery a
1		23	
2		1	month ago, and at some point, about every five minutes
4		24	I will stand up and stretch my leg. So if I stand up,
.5		25	I'm not leaving.
	6		8
1	SENATOR TROY FRASER,	1	Q. Very good. I will not take offense. Thank you
2	having been first duly sworn to testify the truth, the	2	for letting me know, and I hope you're recovering
3	whole truth, and nothing but the truth, testified as	3	swiftly.
4	follows:	4	I may use the terms "voter ID" and "photo
5	EXAMINATION	5	ID" interchangeably throughout this deposition, and I
6	BY MS. WESTFALL:	6	want you to interpret those terms as broadly as you can
7	Q. Good morning, Senator Fraser. Could you state	7	to mean a requirement that a voter present a form of
8	and spell your name for the record, please?	8	identification, whether it has a photo or otherwise,
9	A. Troy Fraser, F-r-a-s-e-r.	9	when voting in person, before being permitted to vote
o	Q. Have you had your deposition taken before?	10	with a regular ballot. Do you understand?
1	A. Not to my knowledge.	11	A. Yes.
2	,	12	
	Q. Okay. I'm going to tell you some ground rules	1	Q. If I refer to "you," I'm asking you a question
3	so you can understand what will be happening	13	about you in your capacity as a member of the Texas
4	today. You're here to testify truthfully, accurately	14	State Senate, and not in any other capacity. Do you
5	and completely.	15	understand?
6	The court reporter here will be preparing	16	A. Yes.
7	a transcript of that everything is said today, so it is	17	Q. And if I refer to "you," I also mean to include
8	important to wait for me to ask my question before you	18	anyone in your office or acting on your behalf, okay?
9	answer. And also to make verbal responses to my	19	A. Could I address my attorney?
0	questions. In other words, please do not shake your	20	Q. Certainly.
1	head or say "uh-huh" or "nuh-uh," because you can't see	21	THE WITNESS: Why, my staff?
2	that in the transcript.	22	MR. SWEETEN: Yeah. I think, you know,
	·	23	with respect to that instruction, I think that that
3	Please wait for me to finish my question.	1	•
4	If you have any questions about my question or don't	24	could be very difficult for him, if you're asking
15	understand my question, please feel free to ask.	25	Senator Fraser something, I mean, it depends on the



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1	context. But if you're asking him, "Did you do this,"	1	Q. And Patrick is Patrick Sweeten?
2	he could be answering that he personally did something	2	A. Yes.
3	or under your definition, you would be requiring him	3	Q. And I think I asked you whether you've been
4	to say that, you know, to speak for, you know, a group	4	deposed before, and you said no?
5	of people.	5	A. No.
6	I think we would have we would ask that	6	Q. That's correct?
7	when you we can't agree to that instruction the way	7	A. I'm sorry. I do not remember being deposed
8	it's phrased, because I think that that could be	8	before.
9	problematic for him. And certainly, he's raised that	9	Q. Thank you. Have you testified in court before?
10	that would be potentially an issue.	10	A. No. Again, not to my I don't remember
11	So we would ask that we - that "you" be	11	testifying in court.
12	giving its normal meaning. If there's a circumstance	12-	Q. Have you ever been personally a party to a
13	you're asking for "you" to mean his office, then I think	13	lawsuit, either as a plaintiff or a defendant?
14	that if you would just specify that, we'd appreciate	14	A. Not to my knowledge that I not that I
15	that.	15	remember.
16	MS. WESTFALL: Thank you, Mr. Sweeten. I	16	Q. Thank you. What did you do to prepare for
17	will do my best to make sure that my questions are	17	today's deposition?
18	accurate. And when I intend to refer to "you" and "your	18	A. Read the - all the you know, the '09 and
19	office," I'll try to make sure the question encompasses	19	'011 hearings data. Reread the bill that was passed and
20	both of those terms.	20	met with Counsel prior to.
21	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Finally, I would like to	21	Q. And by "Counsel," you mean Mr. Sweeten?
22	instruct you that when I state the term "minority	22	A. Yes.
23	voters," I mean voters who are not white or not Anglo.	23	Q. Did you read anything else in advance of this
24	Do you understand that definition?	24	deposition other than the things you just testified
25	MR. SWEETEN: So she's saying for purposes	25	about today?
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1	of this deposition, as shall asking you the suppliers	1,	A The #
2	of this deposition, as she's asking you the questions, when she using the term "minority voters," that she	1 2	A. That's a very broad question.
3	means people that are not white or nonAnglo. Okay.	3	Q. Did you read anything other than the 2009, 2011     hearings and the bill to prepare for the deposition?
4	Just as she says it in the deposition, that that's what	4	A. Yes.
5	that term will mean.	5	Q. What else did you read?
6	THE WITNESS: Is that a term of art used?	1	
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1	Q. Anyone else besides other attorneys in the	1	Q. Do you continue today to assert legislative
2	room?	2	privilege over documents related to Senate Bill 14?
3	A. No.	3	A. Yes.
4	Q. Other than your attorneys, did you speak with	4	Q. Will you be invoking today legislative
5	anyone in advance of this deposition about your	5	privilege over your deposition testimony that you
6	deposition?	6	provide today in this litigation?
7	A. No.	7	A. Yes.
8	Q. Did you speak to Janice McCoy about her	8	Q. Will you be invoking legislative privilege with
9	deposition?	9	regard to your deposition testimony today that relates
10	A. No.	10	to other photo ID bills that have been considered by the
11	Q. Did you bring any notes or documents with you	11	Texas legislature in past sessions?
12	today?	12	A. Yes.
13	A. No.	13	Q. Why are you asserting a legislative privilege?
14	Q. Is it your understanding that as a that you	14	MR. SWEETEN: You don't have to answer why
15	as a state legislator may invoke legislative privilege?	15	you're asserting that.
16	A. Yes.	16	We revealed communications that I've had
17	Q. Are you invoking that privilege today?	17	with him, discussions about legal matters, he doesn't
18	A. Yes.	18	have to provide you with why, as to why he's asserting
19	<ul> <li>Q. Are there any other privileges that you are</li> </ul>	19	the privilege.
20	asserting today other than attorney-client privilege	20	A. I think that's protected.
21	with your attorneys and legislative privilege?	21	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you adhering to your
22	MR. SWEETEN: Those are the two categories	22	attorney's instruction?
23	that we intend to assert. Obviously, if something were	23	A. Yes.
24	to come up that we're not expecting in the examination,	24	Q. if you would and you realize that you
25	if you asked about his physician discussions or	25	yourself personally hold this privilege; is that right?
	14		16
1	something like that, that could be implicated, but I	1	A. Yes.
2	think those are the two, I think, coming in that we	2	Q. And you may decide if you want to assert it or
3	expect to assert.	3	not; is that correct?
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5		4	A. Yes.
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1 Q. And when did you start that service?	Q. And putting aside for a moment the photo ID
A. I was elected in 1988, and served until '93.	2 bills that you have sponsored and had involvement in,
Q. Could you describe the areas within your Senate	
4 district currently?	4 voter-related bills?
5 A. Could you clarify?	5 A. Again, I don't have a clear recollection. I
6 Q. Certainly. Just could you describe where your	6 think I probably carried two very minor bills six or
7 Senate district is?	7 eight years ago, but I don't I don't have
8 A. The Senate district is the geographic center of	8 recollection of those.
9 the State of Texas encompassing 21 counties.	9 Q. Do you know generally what they were about?
10 Q. And is it Senate District 24?	10 A. No.
11 A. Yes, it is.	11 Q. Did they relate to voter registration?
12 Q. What is the total population of your district?	12 A. No.
13 A. The last census, we subdivided the state, and	13 Q. Did they relate to voting?
14 it's approximately 820,000 people.	14 A. If they were a voter bill, they related to
15 Q. Could you describe the racial demographics of	15 voting.
16 your district?	16 Q. I just wanted to know if they related to
17 A. Racial demographics are in keeping with the	campaign finance or some other election-related matter.
rest of the state, probably no, probably a pretty	But to the best of your recollection, they related to
19 good reflection of the percentages within the rest of	19 voting; is that correct?
20 the state.	20 A. I don't have a clear recollection, so no, I
Q. Could you tell me approximately how that breaks	1
down, to the best of your knowledge?	Q. Do you know whether those bills were enacted?
23 A. I'm sorry. I cannot.	23 A. A. No.
Q. Do you currently serve on any committees in the	i
25 Senate?	25 A. No. I do not know.
· 22	24
1 A. Yes.	1 Q. Have you cosponsored any voting bills other
2 Q. What are those committees?	than the photo ID bills?
A. The chair of Natural Resources. I serve on the	3 A. I believe the answer is no, not to my
4 State Affairs. I serve on International Relations and	4 knowledge.
5 something. I'm sorry. I'm missing one.	5 Q. What has your primary focus in the legislature
6 Q. Do you also serve on Nominations?	6 been in the Senate?
7 A. No.	7 A. I have chaired, prior to Natural Resources,
8 Q. No?	8 chaired Business and Commerce and worked on business-
9 A. No.	9 related issues.
10 Q. My apologies.	10 Q. Could you describe those issues?
A. Well, hold on a second. I'm sorry, I can't	A. I heard about 2,000 bills per year for 15
answer that question. I don't.	years, so it would be a long list of description.
13 Q. That's okay.	13 Q. Okay. Did you have any signature initiatives
14 Is State Affairs committee the sole	14 in that committee?
15 committee that has considered voter ID bills since	15 A. Qualify "signature."
16 you've served in the Senate?	16 Q. Did you have any area of focus?
17 A. Again, I'm not sure I can answer that. The	A. I focused on the entire committee.
answer is it has not been the sole committee.	18 Q. Have you served in any leadership roles in the
Q. Has the other committee been the Committee of	19 Senate?
20 the Whole?	A. We are not divided to leadership positions.
21 A. Yes.	21 There are no leadership positions.
Q. Are there any other committees you're aware of	22 Q. Have you ever served as president pro tem?
that have considered voter ID in the Senate since you've	
24 served in the Senate?	24 Q. When was that?
25 A. No.	25 A. The starting in June of '09 through January



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	of '11.	1	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And outside of any
2	Q. What did that role entail as president pro tem?	2	conversations for which your counsel is asserting
3	A. It is an honorary position that is rotated by	3	privilege, as a matter of procedure, did the Lieutenant
4	seniority. It's not mandated, but it is custom that we	4	Governor – could you describe the role that the
5	transfer it by seniority. And it becomes your term and	5	Lieutenant Governor played with regard to Senate Bill 14
6	you serve. The responsibilities would be entailed that	6	and its placement on the Senate calendar or agenda?
7	if the Governor and the Lieutenant Governor are out of	7	A. I would again assert privilege.
В	the state, then you would be the acting governor in	8	Q. Thank you, sir. Is the Lieutenant Governor in
9	their absence.	9	effect the leader of the Senate?
10	Q. I see. What is the role of the Lieutenant	10	A. No.
11	Governor in the Senate?	11	Q. Who is?
12	A. The Lieutenant Governor is a state-wide elected	12	A. The senators.
13	official. He presides over the Senate at the will of	13	Q. Collectively?
14	the Senate. He has no constitutional right to serve.	14	A. Yes.
15	He's given his power by rule from the senators.	15	Q. Are you familiar with an organization called
16	Q. Is that in the Senate rules?	16	the American Legislative Exchange Council, otherwise
17	A. Yes.	17	known as ALEC?
18	<ul> <li>Q. Does the Lieutenant Governor vote as a member</li> </ul>	18	A. Yes.
19	of the Senate?	19	<ul> <li>Q. Where is that organization based physically, do</li> </ul>
20	<ul> <li>A. He is allowed to be a tiebreaker. He – yes,</li> </ul>	20	you know?
21	he is allowed to vote.	21	A. No.
22	<ul> <li>Q. Is that the sole circumstance under which he</li> </ul>	22	Q. Is it based in Washington, D.C.?
23	may vote?	23	A. I just answered. I don't know where it's
24	<ol> <li>No. He can vote any time he chooses.</li> </ol>	24	located.
25	Q. Does the Lieutenant Governor set the agenda for	25	Q. Thank you. Do you have any affiliation with
	26		28
1	what the Senate hears on the Floor?	1	ALEC?
2	A. Yes.	_2	A. Clarify "affiliation."
3	Q. Does the Lieutenant Governor	3	Q. Are you a member of ALEC?
4	A. I'm sorry. I need to reanswer that	4	A. My understanding of ALEC is that there's not a
5	question. The - the Senate sets the order of their	5	constant membership, that if you choose to attend a
6	agenda based on an order of business by rule that is	6	conference, part of the registration fee includes your
7	established by the senators themselves. In the absence	7	dues for that year.
В	of a - following the order of business, the Lieutenant	8	Q. What is ALEC? Could you describe it, please?
9	Governor will establish what bills are eligible to be	9	A. It's an American legislative something
10	heard that day.	10	exchange.
11	Q. Was - was it true that the Lieutenant Governor	11	Q. We'll call it ALEC for the purposes of this
12	played a role in insuring that Senate Bill 14 would be	12	deposition to make things easier, sir.
13	heard by the Senate when it was?	13	A. Oh.
14	A. Yes.	14	Q. Could you describe the type of services it
15	Q. And describe the role he played.	15	provides or what it does generally?
16	MR. SWEETEN: At this point, I'm going to	16	A. They have a conference once a year and enables
17	instruct you with respect to the legislative privilege,	17	legislators to get together to intermingle.
18	and I want you to not reveal the thoughts, mental	18	Q. Is it for state legislators solely?
19	impressions, opinions about legislation, including	19	A. I believe it is.
20	Senate Bill 14. Don't reveal the communications that	20	Q. How long have you had any dealings – for how
21	you've had with legislators, with legislative staff,	21	many years have you had membership or attended the
22	with any state agency, including the Lieutenant	22	conferences or otherwise participated in ALEC events?
23	Governor's Office, the Governor's Office, or the Texas	23	A. In 1991, my first dealing with them in 1991, I
24	Legislative Council or constituents.	24	was chosen as one of their legislators of the year.
	Legislative Council of Constituents.	23	100 GIOSCH GO ONG OF GIOR REGISTERS OF GIE JEST.
25	A. I will assert privilege on that question.	25	Q. How did you get that honor?



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1 ,	A. I have no idea.	1	want to make sure that we're with respect to
3	Q. Do you know if there are other members of the	2	legislative privilege, when she's asking you these
1	Texas legislature who are members of ALEC?	1	questions, I don't want you to reveal thoughts, mental
4	A. Again, to my knowledge, there is no membership	4	impressions, opinions about legislation, including
5	to ALEC. There's a competing group that is a you	5	Senate Bill 14. And don't reveal communications that
6	know, the state pays the membership to a competing	6	you've had with other legislators, legislative staff,
7	group. To ALEC, the only membership is if someone goes	7	state agencies and Texas Legislative Council or
8	to a conference, part of their conference dues includes,	8	constituents. Okay?
9	I'm assuming, a membership for that year. So I don't	9	THE WITNESS: All right.
10	know who's a member.	10	MR. SWEETEN: All right.
11	Q. Have you attended meetings of ALEC with other	11	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Have you ever asked ALEC for
12	members of the Texas legislature?	12	assistance with any legislation you've been drafting?
13	A. Yes.	13	MR. SWEETEN: Any legislation at all?
1.4	Q. Who are those members?	14	MS, WESTFALL: Yes.
15	A. I would not wouldn't recall who they were.	15	MR. SWEETEN: I think that would still ask
16	Q. Was it did you attend have you attended	16	him to reveal thoughts, mental impressions, opinions
17	ALEC meetings with 10 other senators from the Texas	17	about legislation, so I don't think you should answer,
18	Senate?	18	and I instruct you not to answer that.
19	<ol> <li>Again, I don't remember who was there.</li> </ol>	19	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you following your
20	Q. Are there agendas for the meetings of ALEC?	20	counsel's advice?
21	<ul> <li>A. You have general meetings, where you have</li> </ul>	21	A. Yes.
22	speakers, and you have breakout meetings that address	22	Q. Have you ever attended – strike that.
23	topics.	23	Are you a member of the National
24	<ul> <li>Q. And I believe you testified you attend, you</li> </ul>	24	Conference of State Legislators?
25	have attended ALEC conferences once a year; is that	25	A. To my knowledge, yes.
	30		32
1	correct?	1	Q. Do you attend their meetings?
2	A. I didn't say that.	2	A. Yes.
3	Q. Please tell me how often you attend meetings?	3	Q. Where are their meetings held?
4	Whenever there's a meeting that I want to	4	A. Always different cities.
5	attend.	5	Q. How often do you attend those meetings?
6	Q. So could be once a year, could be less than	6	Never more than once a year and not every year.
7	once a year, could be more than once a year; is that	7	Q. Have you attended any of those any meetings
8	correct?	8	other than the National Conference of State Legislators
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2	Q. Do you have a schedule in your scheduler in	nonlegislative matter	s?
3	your office?	<ul> <li>A. Clarify, please</li> </ul>	<b>L</b>
4	A. Yes.	-	uling issues, personnel issues, is
5	Q. And what's the name of that scheduler?	there a distinction be	tween how you communicate
6	A. Terri Mathis.	regarding legislation	with your staff and other matters?
7	<ul> <li>Q. Did Terri play any role in scheduling any</li> </ul>	A. My staff are ge	enerally not involved in
8	witnesses for hearings related to SB 14?	nonlegislative. If I ha	ive something that I'm going to
9	A. Not to my knowledge.	do, I will just I'll say	"Don't arrange something on
10	<ul> <li>Q. Did she schedule any meetings with any</li> </ul>	this day. Block this d	lay."
11	constituents, groups or other legislators regarding SB	<ul><li>Q. How often in s</li></ul>	ession do you communicate with
12	14?	other members of the	e legislature?
13	A. That's not privileged, is it?	<ul> <li>A. In session, cor</li> </ul>	nstantly.
14	MR. SWEETEN: She's just asking if someone	Q. How do you co	ommunicate with other legislators?
15	scheduled anything related to you. You can answer that.	<ol> <li>A. Open my mout</li> </ol>	th and words come out.
16	A. The answer would be yes.	Q. Face-to-face n	neetings?
17	<ul><li>Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And I'm sorry, Terri's last</li></ul>	A. Yes.	
18	name is?	Q Chiefly?	
19	A. Mathis.	<ul> <li>A. Well, the answ</li> </ul>	er is a combination of face-to-
20	Q. Is she still employed with you today?	face, and obviously, I	here are some phone communication
21	A. Yes, she is.	that we touch on. Bu	t we generally more face-to-face
22	Q. How long has she been employed with you?	because we're aroun	d each other constantly.
23	A. 15 years.	Q. And do you co	mmunicate with the Lieutenant
24	<ul> <li>Q. How did she generally schedule meetings with</li> </ul>	Governor's Office and	the Lieutenant Governor?
25	constituents for you?	A. You know, limi	ted. Once in a while.
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2	legislation or your process in considering legislation.	2	Austin, Texas.
3	And then I think that that would include, you know, any	3	Q. Where was that office?
4		4	A. North end of town.
5	sort of discussions that she's asking you for, so I'm	5	
6	going to ask	6	Q. How far was that from your office?
7	MS. WESTFALL: Mr. Sweeten, I have not	7	A. Probably 25 minutes.
8	posed any question about any legislation. I'm asking	Į.	Q. How far was that from your home, to the extent
	about a policy organization and its issues. I'm going	8	you have a home in Austin?
9	to ask you to withdraw that objection.	9	A. It's an hour and a half from my home.
10	MR. SWEETEN: Well, I heard your question	10	Q. When did you go there?
11	to ask technical assistance, which I believe in the way	11	A. I'm sorry. I don't know.
12	I'm understanding your question would reveal, and you	12	Q. Do you know approximately how many years ago?
13	said as to any legislation, so it would potentially	13	A. Three years.
14	reveal any sort of process that he had in formulating	14	Q. Do you know the hours of operations of that
15	legislation. So I think that that potentially is	15	office?
16	legislatively privileged what you've asked him.	16	A. Na.
17	<ul><li>Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Let me try another way.</li></ul>	17	Q. What time of day did you go, do you recall?
18	Has ALEC highlighted in its work as a	18	A. No.
19	policy organization any immigration-related issues?	19	<ul> <li>Q. Did you go during business hours, to the best</li> </ul>
20	A. Not to my knowledge.	20	of your recollection?
21	<ul> <li>Q. Has ALEC highlighted any election-related</li> </ul>	21	A. Yes.
22	issues?	22	Q. How did you get to the driver's license office?
23	<ol> <li>Again, not to my knowledge.</li> </ol>	23	A. I drove myself.
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2	<b>/</b>	1	you that. That's I'm not asserting privileges to
	A. Yes.	2	that issue.
3	Q. Do you know how much it would cost?	3	A. Ask it again, please.
4	A. No.	4	MS. WESTFALL: Could you read back the
5	Q. And how would you go about getting a	5	question, sir?
6	replacement of your birth certificate?	6	(Requested portion read back by the court
7	A. Place a phone call to the - I'm assuming its	7	reporter.)
8	county clerk and ask for a replacement.	В	A. Again, I would ask you to narrow that question
9	Q. Do you think you could do that by phone, or	9	down. "Problems" is a very broad word. Could be
10	would you have to go in person?	10	parking.
11	A. I believe you can do it by phone.	11	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) I'm directing attention to
12	Q. Would there be some cost associated with	12	within a polling place, have you seen any voters having
13	obtaining that document?	13	problems in voting?
14	A. I'm лоt advised. I don't know.	14	A. Yes.
15	Q. When – do you generally vote in elections?	15	Q. Could you describe the first problem that you
16	A. Yes.	16	saw in a polling place?
17	Q. Do you vote in person or by mail?	17	A. Someone showing up at the wrong location to
18	A. In person.	18	vote.
19	Q. When was the last time you voted?	19	Q. What happened to that individual?
20	A. Three days ago.	20	A. They were instructed where to go to – to vote.
21	Q. How far is your polling place from your house?	21	Q. Have you ever witnessed anyone who was not
22	A. 15 minutes.	22	supposed to be in the polling location appearing to
23	Q. Is that by car?	23	vote?
24	A. Uh-huh.	24	A. Yes.
25	Q. Do you ever vote early, early vote, or do you	25	Q. Tell me about the first time you saw that.
	42	<u> </u>	44
1	vote on election day?	1	A. The question I just answered before. They were
2	A. More often, early.	2	in the wrong location, and they were sent to another
3	Q. Do you have any experience outside of your work	. 3	location.
4	in the Texas State Senate on any election law-related	4	Q. Have you ever witnessed anyone who was trying
5	matters?	5	to impersonate another voter in a polling place?
6	A. Please clarify.	6	A. No.
7	Q. Do you have any strike that.	7	Q. Have you ever seen have you ever witnessed a
8	Do you have any experience related to	8	person who was not a US citizen attempting to vote?
9	election administration?	9	A. No.
10	A. Clarify.	10	Q. Have you ever seen anyone challenging someone's
11	Q. Have you ever volunteered as or worked as a	11	voter eligibility in a polling place?
12	poll worker?	12	A. Clarification, again. First answer I gave, the
13	A. No.	13	answer is yes, because they were in the wrong location.
14	Q. Have you ever worked as a poll watcher?	14	Q. Are you aware that that voters may be
15	A. No.	15	challenged at the polls as not properly registered to
16	Q. Have you ever participated in any other	16	vote or otherwise eligible?
17	capacity in serving any polling location on election day	17	A. Please clarify.
18	or during early voting?	18	Q. I'll strike that question.
19	A. No.	19	Have you ever, when you've been in a
20	Q. As a voter, have you witnessed any problems in	20	polling location, challenged a voter's eligibility to
21	the polls firsthand?	21	vote?
22	A. Would that not be privileged?	22	A. No.
	MR. SWEETEN: I think she can ask you if	23	Q. Are you familiar with Section 5 of the Voting
23			/ ooulon o or nio roung
23 24	in your personal, in your life, if you've witnessed any	24	Rights Act?



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Q. What is your understanding of Section 5 requirements as a general matter?

A. As per the 1965 Voter Rights Act, there were certain states, mostly in the south, that were placed under Section 5. And placed -- given different requirements than everyone else in the nation.

Q. And I understand that you've testified that you're not a lawyer, but can you tell me, to the best of your ability, what the requirements are of Section 5, sir?

A. Currently, are you asking for currently or in 1965?

Q. Currently today.

A. Any election activity that happens in a Section 5 state, of which Texas is one, that all data pertaining to that has to be cleared by the Justice Department prior to the election, and there's obviously a cost, administrative cost associated with that.

Q. Is there anything else that you want to testify about your understanding of Section 5 requirements, or that is the sum total?

A. That's it.

Q. Do you believe that compliance with the Voting Rights Act is important?

MR. SWEETEN: Objection. Relevance. Go

about any legislative act right now. So I think your instruction is inappropriate. I would ask you to withdraw it with regard to the guestion I asked.

MR. SWEETEN: Well, I think he's answered the question. I think it's important that he not reveal matters that would be legislatively privileged in answering the question. If he can answer it without doing so, which I think he may have just done, then I'm letting him do so. So it's just as to matters that could be legislatively privileged. That's my instruction.

Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Could you explain what you mean by Section 5 having outlived its useful life?

A. I believe it's outlived its useful life.

Q. Could you explain what you mean by that?MR. SWEETEN: Same instruction. Go ahead.

A. I believe it's outlived its useful life.

Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And that's the sum total of your response to my question?

A. Yes.

Q. When did that occur that it became -- that Section 5 became no longer useful?

23 A. I wouldn't attach a date to that time.

Q. And what is the basis for your opinion?

MR. SWEETEN: Same instruction. Go ahead.

1 ahead and answer.

Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You may answer.

A. I believe when the Act was passed in '65, it was important. I believe today the Voting Rights Act has outlived its useful life.

Q. When do you believe -- first of all, what do you mean by that, "outlived its useful life"?

A. Should I? Privilege on that?

MR. SWEETEN: Well, here's how we'll -let me instruct you as to that. I don't want you to
reveal any sort of thoughts or mental impressions or
opinions about legislation or matters in furtherance of
the legislative process as it relates to bills. And I
don't want you to reveal communications between you and
legislators or legislative staff, state agencies, Texas
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that question without revealing those, then you can go
ahead and do so. And you can at all times --

A. I believe it's outlived its useful life.

MR. SWEETEN: Okay. Let me also just finish. You can at all times include matters of the public record. You can discuss matters on the public record, including committee hearings, proceedings, debates, that sort of thing.

MS. WESTFALL: Mr. Sweeten, I'm not asking

A. I believe it has outlived its useful life.

Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you have any facts to support that statement that you want to testify about today?

MR. SWEETEN: Same instruction.

A. I believe it has outlived its useful life.

Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you receive any legal advice on election-related legislation to ensure compliance with Section 5? And I'm just asking about the fact of legal advice. I'm not asking you to testify about any conversations you've had with your attorneys about Section 5.

MR. SWEETEN: Okay. And so -- so it's clear. She's not asking you about the substance of communications. She's simply asking you, do you receive legal advice on that issue?

A. I would claim privilege on that because any advice I'm getting would be involving legislation.
 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Sir, your counsel has

instructed you not to reveal any -- the substance of those conversations, but I'm sure your counsel would not disagree with my assertion that I'm allowed to ask whether you have received advice on compliance with Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act.

A. The answer is yes.



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1	Q. Thank you. And from whom?	1	raly uses your help
2	A. Counsel.	2	rely upon your help.
3	Q. Mr. Sweeten?	3	So it is your testimony that you salely
1		į.	relied upon advice from the Texas Legislative Council
4	A. Not like well, Mr. Sweeten, obviously, we	4	for advice pertaining to compliance with Section 5 in
5	have had conversations recently.	5	regards to Senate Bill 14; is that right?
6 7	Q. Do you have counsel for the that you that	6	A. Yes.
1	you rely upon within your capacity as a Texas State	7	Q. Did you rely upon advice from the office of the
8	Senator for advice about Section 5?	8	Attorney General as well in that regard?
9	A. I do not have specific counsel that I rely on,     Cartier C.	9	A. Yes.
10	on Section 5.	10	Q. What is Texas's current system for determining
11	Q. Are there any attorneys at all that you relied	11	how to verify the identity of a voter before section
12	upon in drafting Senate Bill 14 pertaining to compliance	12	before SB 14 was enacted?
113	with Section 5?	13	A. The only requirement Texas has that if you show
14	MR. SWEETEN: Okay. If you're asking has	14	your – your voter registration card that is sent by
15	he communicated and did he have communications with	15	in the mail to people, and whoever has that card in
16	individuals?	16	their possession can walk up and vote.
17	MS. WESTFALL: That's not my question,	17	Q. Has this system failed to prevent voter fraud
18	Mr. Sweeten.	18	in your view?
19	Court Reporter, would you read back the	19	A. No.
20	question?	20	<ul> <li>Q. Are there any problems you can identify today</li> </ul>
21	MR. SWEETEN: Yeah. Read back the	21	with the current system in identifying voter fraud?
22	question.	22	MR. SWEETEN: When you're answering this
23	(Requested portion read back by the court	23	question, I don't want you to reveal thoughts, mental
24	reporter.)	24	impressions or opinions about legislation or in
25	A. In the drafting of Senate Bill 14.	25	furtherance of the legislative process, or
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To my knowledge, no.

 Q. Are you aware of any convictions on the basis of - related to the activity that you described?

MR. SWEETEN: Can you reread the question back?

MS. WESTFALL: Mr. Sweeten, it's a matter of public record, convictions.

MR. SWEETEN: Okay. I'm -- I didn't ask that. I'm asking for him to read the question back, if he would, please.

MS. WESTFALL: You may do so, sir. (Requested portion read back by the court reporter.)

MR. SWEETEN: And when you say activity described, he's talking about Williams's testimony on the Senate. So do you know? You can answer that

A. I'm sorry. I do not remember. There has been testimony on that, but I do not remember specific convictions.

 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) So sitting here today, you're unaware, just to -- so I understand your testimony, you're unaware of any convictions related to the fraud that you described, which is stealing someone's voter registration card. Is that - am I

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with any of the individuals or entities that we've talked about in answering this question. You can refer 3 to matters of the public record.

A. In Texas, if someone has in their possession a voter registration card and they go to the proper voting location, they are allowed to vote.

Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And --

A. Without identifying they are who they say they

Q. And it's -- it's your opinion that that creates problems or are there any -- what I'm trying to ask you is whether there are any facts that you haven't already testified to that support your opinion.

MR. SWEETEN: In answering this question, do not reveal thoughts, mental impressions or opinions about legislation or in furtherance of the legislative process. Okay? Don't reveal the communications that we've talked about with individuals or entities that are protected under the privilege.

 A. It's been testified in testimony that it is possible in Texas for someone to go to and present a voter registration card that is not theirs, and if they are on the list, they're allowed to vote and not asked for identification.

Q. (By Ms. Westfall) So is it your testimony that

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correctly stating your testimony?

A. You asked me to list specific ones, and I cannot list specific ones.

Q. Thank you, sir. Other than that issue that you just flagged as a potential problem under the current law, are you aware of any other problems with the current system for verifying a voter's identity under Texas law?

MR. SWEETEN: Again, don't reveal your thoughts, mental impressions or opinions in furtherance or about legislation. Don't reveal communications that you've had between legislators, legislative staff, state agencies, Texas Legislative Council or constituents in answering this question. You can refer to matters in the public record.

A. Texas law is insufficient for making a person identify who they are.

Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And thank you for your testimony. And what is the basis for that opinion, other than what you've just testified about, which is testimony regarding stolen voter registration cards?

MR. SWEETEN: Okay. In answering this question, do not reveal mental impressions, thoughts or opinions about legislation, okay, including Senate Bill 14. And don't reveal communications that you've had

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I claim the privilege on this question.

MS. WESTFALL: Mr. Sweeten, it will be possible that you could you shorten, shorthand your objections so we don't have to spend much of the day listening to the same objection over and over, and you could have a shorthand understanding. Is that something I could ask for you to work out with your client?

MR. SWEETEN: We can do that. Why don't we -- we can discuss that at a break.

MS. WESTFALL: Okav.

MR. SWEETEN: I know you don't want to hear me sit here and go through this exercise. At the same time, I think it's important that I will occasionally, you know, interject that. But let's continue as we are. We will discuss sort of something we can work out at the break. Okay? But I'll work with



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3	these questions. I'm just going to instruct you.	3	enactment,
4	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you know why there was	4	Q. Directing your attention to Page 10, which is
5	support for photo ID in 2005?	5	the last page of US 44. Do you see a date on that, sir?
6	MR. SWEETEN: Don't answer. Legislative	6	A. Okay. Okay. Yes.
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8	A. Privilege.	8	this bill was introduced?
9	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you not asking on the	9	A. No.
10	basis of your counsel's advice?	10	Q. Did you have any involvement and just for
11	A. Yes.	11	the record's purposes, this is House Bill 1706, correct?
12	Q. Was there a time when photo voter ID law was	12	A. Yes.
13	first introduced in the Texas legislature?	13	Q. And does it appear that it was introduced in
14	A. Clarify,	14	2005?
15	Q. In 2005, was there a bill?	15	A. Yes.
16	A. To my knowledge, I do not remember a bill in	16	Q. Did you have any involvement whatsoever in this
17	2005.	17	bill?
18	Q. Was there a bill in the House?	18	A. No.
19	A. Again, I don't remember.	19	Q. Can you hand the witness what's been previously
20	MS. WESTFALL: Could you mark this as	20	marked as Exhibit 28?
21	US	21	MR. SWEETEN: You can put that other one
22	MS. MARANZANO: Has it been marked before?	22	aside, Senator Fraser. And let's start with the stack
23	MS. WESTFALL: It hasn't been. So what's	23	here so we don't lose any of these.
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71 1 Exhibit 3, where it says Volume 23, Issue 46. Does that 1 A. Would you rephrase your question? 2 tell you, give you any indication about the date of this Q. Yes. 3 document? A. Or re-ask your question? A No Q. Yes. Turning your attention to the second Q. Have you ever seen this document before? 5 paragraph of the Texas Weekly article, Exhibit 3, does 6 A. I don't know whether I have or not. it indicate that Mr. Dewhurst's support for 218 because 7 Q. Do you want to take a moment to take a look at 7 it will prevent noncitizens, people who are not US 8 it and see if it rings a bell? 8 citizens, from voting at the polls? Do you see that? 9 A. Sure. (Witness reading.) 9 10 Q. Have you had a chance review Exhibit 3? 1 N Q. You don't? Does it indicate in the letter that 11 A. I have. 11 you. Senator Fraser, brought up in the Senate for 12 12 Q. Do you remember seeing the letter referenced in consideration, and I'm reading from Paragraph 2, "House 13 Exhibit 3 from -- that was drafted from Lieutenant 13 Bill 218 by Representative Betty Brown, which simply 14 Governor Dewhurst on voter ID? 14 requires voters to present a driver's license or some 15 A. The answer is no, I don't remember seeing it. 15 other common form of identification at the election 16 Q. And does it appear from this article that it 16 polls to prove who they say they are, US citizens." Do 17 was -- that letter was written around the time of 17 you see that paragraph? 18 consideration of House Bill 218? 18 I do see that paragraph. 19 19 A. The attempt to consider? Q. And do you see down at Paragraph 4, that it 20 20 Q. Yes. Does it appear that the letter was refers to testimony from Mr. Paul Bettencourt regarding 21 written in conjunction with that -21 foreign nationals both applying for and receiving voter 22 A. Yes. 22 registration cards? 23 A. Would you show me where you're referencing? Q. - particular piece of legislation? 23 24 A. Yes. 24 Q. Certainly. The first sentence at Paragraph 4 25 Q. Thank you, sir. 25 of the Texas Weekly article starting with, "On June 22, 70 72 1 And do you see that this article refers to 1 2006, Harris County Tax Assessor-Collector and Voter 2 two versions of a letter from Lieutenant Governor 2 Registrar Paul Bettencourt testified before the US House Dewhurst; is that correct? 3 Administration Committee that both foreign nationals are A. No. I don't see there's two letters, 4 both applying for and receiving voter registration 5 Q. All right. Well, turning your attention to 5 cards." Do you see that sentence? 6 Exhibit 3, does it - does it appear that -- strike 6 A. I do. 7 7 Q. Was that -- was preventing noncitizens from 8 Do you know who would have written this 8 voting part of the purpose of House Bill 218? 9 letter for Mr. Dewhurst and his staff? 9 10 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, calls for 10 MR. SWEETEN: Yeah. 11 speculation. 11 MS. WESTFALL: You may answer. 12 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Would it have been 12 MR. SWEETEN: You can -- she's asking you 13 13 Mr. Hebert? - hold on a minute. She's asking you about this 14 A. Privilege. 14 document. Okay? You can answer questions about, you 15 15 Q. I don't believe that that's a proper response, know, any public statements that you've made regarding 16 and your counsel will not -- will advise you. 16 it. But you don't have to reveal information, opinions, 17 MR. SWEETEN: I'll instruct you. On that, 17 mental impressions or thoughts about legislation. 18 18 I think her question is: Do you know who wrote this? A. I didn't write this article. I didn't make 19 A. No. 19 that statement. And I -- whoever Paul Bettencourt is, 20 MR. SWEETEN: Okay. 20 obviously, he testified before the US House 21 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you see in that letter 21 Committee. He didn't testify before my Senate 22 that is referred to in the Texas Weekly article, 22 committee.

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Exhibit 3, that it urges support for House Bill 218 in

At Paragraph 2 of the Texas Weekly article?

order to stop voting by people who are not US citizens?

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Q. And Mr. -- this article refers to a letter

written by Lieutenant Governor Dewhurst in which he

expressed the views that I just read into the record,

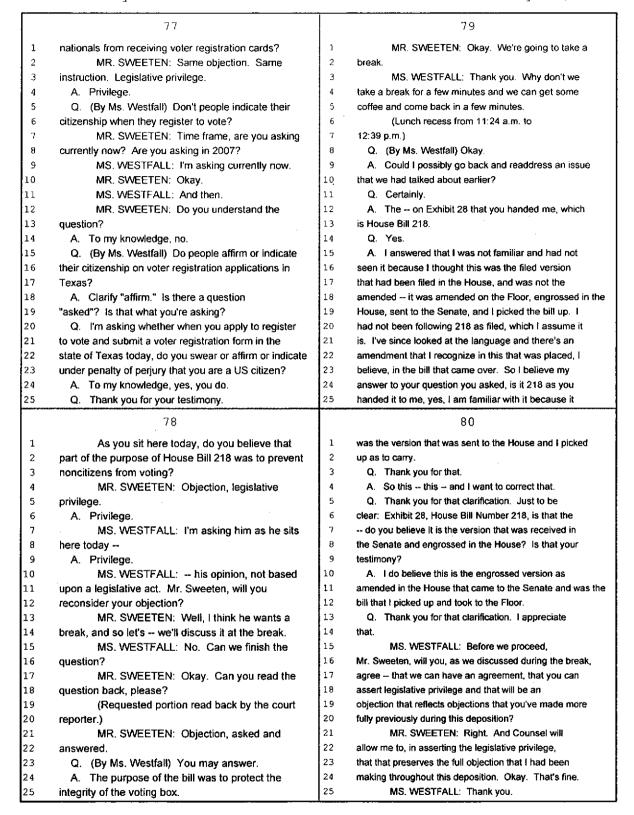
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73 75 1 did he not? ī particulars about a contact or conversation. Do not 2 A. You're representing that this is a letter from 2 reveal the specific content of contacts? 3 him. I couldn't -- I can't validate that. 3 A. Ask the question again. Q. Let me ask you directly: Was part of the 4 Q. Certainly. Let me strike the question and ask purpose of House Bill 218 to prevent noncitizens from 5 another one. 6 voting? 6 Did you ever have any conversations with 7 7 MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to object to anyone about House Bill 218 and its purpose as it 8 legislative privilege. 8 pertained to preventing non-US citizens from voting? 9 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Mr. Dewhurst -- well, strike 9 10 that 10 Q. Was part of the purpose of House Bill 218 to 11 Who would be the best -- strike that. 11 prevent foreign nationals from applying for and 12 Would Mr. Dewhurst know about this letter? 12 receiving voter registration cards? MR. SWEETEN: Objection, calls for 13 13 A. Privilege. Privilege. 14 speculation. 14 Q. Did you ever have any conversations about the 15 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You may answer. 15 purpose of House Bill 218 as it pertained to stopping 16 A. Privilege. I don't know. I'm not, you know. I 16 foreign nationals from applying for and receiving voter 17 don't know. I - I don't know about this letter. 17 registration cards? 18 Q. Do you think that if the Texas Weekly published 18 MR. SWEETEN: Same objection, legislative 19 an open letter from Lieutenant Governor Dewhurst, and 19 privilege. 20 sitting here today, you are unable to answer questions 20 A. Privilege. 21 about this, that Mr. Dewhurst would be the best person 21 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any 22 that we could ask about this letter and the contents 22 conversations? I'm sure your counsel will instruct you 23 thereof? 23 that you can answer that question. 24 A. Speculation. 24 A. Privilege. 25 Q. Is there anybody -25 MS. WESTFALL: Mr. Sweeten. 74 76 1 A. I do not -- you're asking me do I know. I do MR. SWEETEN: You can identify whether or 1 not know. not you had a conversation with anyone and you can -- if 2 Q. Who would know about this letter and about the 3 3 she's asking you the general subject matter, you can 4 purposes expressed about House Bill 218? answer about the date or time or who was involved in the 5 A. You'll have to ask them. I do not know. conversation. Don't reveal the substance of the 5 6 Q. And by "them," you mean Mr. Dewhurst? 6 conversation or communication. 7 A. Anyone you want to ask would be appropriate. I A. Ask the question again, please. 8 don't - I don't know. ₿ Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Senator Fraser, did you ever 9 Q. And I believe when I asked you whether 9 have any conversations with anyone about House Bill 218 10 preventing US -- non-US citizens from voting was the 10 and part of its purpose being to prevent foreign 11 purpose of House Bill 218 you asserted privilege. If 11 nationals from applying for or receiving voter 12 that is with regard to any private conversations over 12 registration cards? 13 which your counsel is asserting privilege, could you 13 MR. SWEETEN: I'm going --14 identify the person with whom you had a conversation 14 Not to my knowledge. 15 about noncitizens voting and House Bill 218? 15 MR. SWEETEN: And I'm also going to 16 A. Is that orivilege? 16 interpose an objection, assumes facts not in 17 MR. SWEETEN: She's asking you and the 17 evidence. But go ahead. You've answered it, so we're 18 court will allow them to ask you questions that reveal 18 on to the next question. 19 the name or legislator or staff involved in a 19 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Would, in your view, House 20 communication, the name of a constituent involved in a 20 Bill 218 stop noncitizens from voting? 21 communication, whether any individuals were privy to the 21 MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to object --22 communication, the date on which the communication 22 A. Privilege. 23 occurred, or the form or medium of the communication or 23 MR. SWEETEN: -- yeah, as to legislative 24 the nature of general subject matter. 24 privilege on that issue. 25 So you can identify those sort of 25 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Would it stop foreign



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81 83 1 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Senator, we had been mental impressions, about the legislation. So that's my discussing House Bill 218 before the break. I'd like to 2 2 refer you to that bill again and ask you whether this 3 3 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Directing your attention to 4 bill, House Bill 218, would prevent non-citizens from 4 Page 9 of Exhibit 28, Section 63.0101, on Page 9; do you 5 voting? 5 see that? 6 A. The --6 MS. WESTFALL: Let the record reflect 7 MR. SWEETEN. I'm going to object based on 7 witness is reviewing Exhibit 28. 8 legislative privilege. I think that goes to effect. 8 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you see where it lists 9 THE WITNESS: Do you think that's 9 documentation of proof of identification? 10 privileged? 10 A. Yes 11 MR. SWEETEN: Yeah. I think it --11 Q. Would this section of the bill have the effect 12 MS. WESTFALL: Mr. Sweeten, I'm asking 12 of preventing non-citizens from voting? 13 about the effect of the bill, so outside of 13 14 conversations that you've -- that are -- I'm not asking 14 Q. Is it true as you understand it, sitting here 15 you to testify about anything -- personal conversations, 15 today, that non-citizens in Texas may obtain a Texas 16 private things that you're alleging to be privileged, in 16 driver's license? 17 terms of conversations with other legislators, but to 17 A. Yes. 18 the extent you can just testify about whether you 18 Q. Are you aware that in 2007, Royal Masset --19 believe the bill on its face. 19 actually, strike that. 20 A. And, again, if you get into belief, what I 20 Who is Royal Masset? 21 believed, I would've claim privilege. 21 MR. SWEETEN: You can answer who he is. 22 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Okay. So you - your 22 A. Royal Masset had been affiliated through party 23 testimony is you cannot answer the question about 23 politics off and on through the last ten years. 24 whether HB 218 --24 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And by party politics, do you 25 A. I'm saying it is privileged the way you asked 25 mean the Republican party of Texas? 82 84 1 the question. 1 A. Yes. 2 Q. Okay. And I'm going to counsel you, just 2 Q. Was he the former political director? 3 because we're having a back and forth, not to talk over 3 A. I don't know. 4 each other because the record will be very difficult to 4 Q. Are you aware that he said something to the 5 read. So I will try to wait for you answer, and if you 5 effect of -- in - that he said in 2007, "They're just 6 wait for me to interpose my question, I'd be grateful. 6 basically using sheer racism to pump up their own 7 Let me ask it a different way: Was HB 218 7 political points; they're just trying to exploit public 8 enacted, to the best of your recollection? 8 fear of illegal aliens." Are you familiar with that 9 A. I'm sorry? 9 quote? 10 Was it enacted and signed by the Governor in to O. 10 A. No. 11 law? 11 Q. Are you familiar with that sentiment? 12 A. 218? 12 A No. 13 Q. Yes? 13 Q. You never heard Royal Masset make any 14 A. No. 14 indication of that in the public or in the press? 15 Q. And if it had been and was precleared by the 15 16 Justice Department or otherwise approved under Section 5 16 Q. What's your reaction to that quote? 17 through the courts and was enforced in Texas, is it -17 A. Privileged. 18 do you believe that it would prevent non-citizens from 18 Q. Could you identify - did you have a 19 voting? 19 communication that you're referring to in asserting 20 MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to object to the 20 privilege over? 21 question as legislatively privileged. It goes into his 21 MR. SWEETEN: I think what she's asking 22 beliefs. I think, to help us, if you want to ask if a 22 you is are you basing the privilege claim on - on a

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legislation?



specific provision as written in the text that you're

seeing would prohibit something, I think that would be

fine, but I think you're asking his overall believe, his

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communication or on the fact that it would reveal

thoughts, mental impressions, opinions about

85 A. I think I have to answer this in that the only 1 knowledge I have of this was an assertion made during 2 3 testimony in 2009. That's the only time I've ever heard 3 4 of this issue and had any other knowledge other than it 5 was asserted by a member during testimony. 6 6 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) In 2009, your -- could you 7 tell me about the testimony, on the record, that you're В referring to? 8 9 9 A. I don't remember the member, but a member of 10 the legislature, and it was a Democrat member, made the 10 11 11 assertion that Royal Masset had made this quote. 12 12 in the question is sort of the issue we're having Q. And what is your reaction to the quote? 13 13 MR. SWEETEN: Reaction would be asking for 14 14 objection, legislative privilege. 15 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you following the advice 15 16 of counsel? 16 17 17 A. Yes, privilege. 18 18

Q. Were there any other bills introduced in the 2007 legislative session that you recall related to combatting issues pertaining to undocumented aliens?

A. There was a legislation that was -- I'm sorry, 2007?

23 Q. 2007.

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A. I have no knowledge that I remember.

25 Q. And yesterday, your chief of staff, Janice 87

A. And did you --

MR. SWEETEN: Hold on. No, no, no. No, no, no. Let me talk.

Would -- the subject matter, it was a general subject matter, is what the court's order says. The subject matter does not relate to -- he's not going to identify the specific subject matter. He can answer the question as to whether or not he had conversations

with the Governor's Office. You can ask about the time. You can ask about the subject, the general

subject matter, but the specifics, I think, are assumed

MS. WESTFALL: I'm not going to withdraw my question. I'm going to try another way.

Q. (By ms. Westfall) Did you have any conversations with anyone in the Lieutenant Governor's Office about sponsoring HB 218 in the Senate?

MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to let you answer that question as phrased. Do not reveal any additional substance of any conversations other than yes or no.

 A. I would first ask for clarification. You have used Governor in one question and Lieutenant Governor in the other question. What is the question you're asking?

Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Let's start with the Lieutenant Goyernor. Did you have any conversations --

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1 McCoy, testified in deposition that you advised the 2 Lieutenant Governor's Office that you wanted to sponsor 3 House Bill 218 in the Senate; is that correct?

That is correct.

Q. Why did you want to sponsor House Bill 218? MR. SWEETEN: Objection, calls for

legislative privilege. Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you following the advice of counsel?

A. I am. Privilege.

Q. Is there any conversation that you had with anyone in the Governor's Office concerning your desire to sponsor H Bill - HB 218?

MR. SWEETEN: Objection. I think you're - you're asking the specifics of the conversation. He can definitely identify whether a conversation occurred with the Governor, but the subject matter is assumed in your question.

MR. ROSENBERG: But the subject, if I may point to the order, we're allowed to get on the record what the subject matter of the conversation was.

MS. WESTFALL: Further, Mr. Sweeten, the witness just confirmed that the testimony of Ms. McCoy, that he indeed made that request to sponsor that legislation.

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1 did you or your staff have any conversations with 2 Lieutenant Governor or anyone in his office concerning 3 your sponsorship of HB 218? 4

MR. SWEETEN: You can answer as phrased, yes or no.

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Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you personally participate in that meeting?

A. You're inferring it was a meeting.

10 Q. Did you personally participate in that 11 communication with the Lieutenant Governor's Office?

A. No.

Q. Did Ms. McCoy?

A. My assumption --

MR. SWEETEN: Answer if you know.

A. My assumption is yes, that she would be the one to do it.

Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you know who else was in that part of that communication? And I'm sure your counsel --

A. No.

Q. Okay. How many conversations were there about your sponsorship of HB 218 with the Lieutenant Governor's Office?

A. I -- I don't know that because I didn't have



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2	Q. Do you know approximately when	2	objection.
3	A. Zero. I had zero conversations.	3	<ul> <li>Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you think it's important,</li> </ul>
4	<ul> <li>Q. Do you know approximately when this</li> </ul>	4	when you're drafting election-related legislation, to
5	conversation between Ms. McCoy and the Lieutenant	5	consult with the Secretary of State to obtain the
6	Governor's Office occurred?	6	Secretary of State's view on potential legislation?
7	A. No.	7	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege.
8	Q. Why did you want to sponsor HB 218?	8	A. Privilege.
9	A. Privilege.	9	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) As a general matter? Not as
10	MR. SWEETEN: Objection privilege.	10	regarding any particular legislation. My question
11	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have communications	11	stands. Are you going to claim privilege again?
12	with any election officials, either county or state,	12	Restate the question, please.
13	concerning your sponsorship of HB 218?	13	<ul> <li>Q. Do you think as a — as a general matter, it is</li> </ul>
14	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, that's	14	advisable to consult with the Secretary of State of
15	legislatively privileged.	15	Texas in crafting election-related legislation?
16	A. Privilege.	16	MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to assert
17	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Yes or no answer for	17	privilege. Objection, privilege.
18	establishing a privilege log.	18	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you following his advice?
19	MR. SWEETEN: Okay. You can answer if you	19	A. Privilege.
20	had a specific conversation with any election official?	20	<ul> <li>Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Could you do you know the</li> </ul>
21	A. No.	21	party affiliation of Secretary of State Roger Williams?
22	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you familiar with	22	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer.
23	Secretary of State Roger Williams?	23	A. Today or when he was Secretary of State?
24	A. Clarify "familiar."	24	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) in 2007.
25	Q. Do you know him?	25	A. No.
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1	A. Yes.	1	Q. Do you know what his party affiliation is
2	Q. Do you know who he is?	2	today?
3	A. Yes.	3	A Yes.
4	Q. Are you aware that Secretary of State Roger	4	Q. What is it?
5	Williams said something to the effect of he wasn't sure	5	A. Republican.
6	a photo ID would improve turnout?	6	Q. Did you or your office conduct any analyses
7	A. Is the question am I aware that he said that?	7	prior to carrying House Bill 218 in the Senate?
8	No.	8	MR. SWEETEN: Objection.
9	<ul> <li>Q. Are you aware of Secretary of State Roger</li> </ul>	9	A. Privilege.
10	Williams having that sentiment and believing that in	10	MR. SWEETEN: Privilege.
11	2007?	11	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any
12	MR. SWEETEN: Don't reveal any	12	conversations about conducting any analyses prior to
13	conversations that you had on this issue.	13	carrying House Bill 218 in the Senate?
14	A. No.	14	A. Privilege.
15	MR. SWEETEN: Legislative privilege.	15	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) It's a yes or no answer.
16	MS. WESTFALL: He just testified he hasn't	16	MS. WESTFALL: Mr. Sweeten?
17	had any conversations with Secretary of State Williams.	17	MR. SWEETEN: Well, in the question,
18	I'm лоt sure what – this is about whether he's aware.	18	you're asking about conversations about analyses. So
19	MR. SWEETEN; Okay. But if he's aware	19	first, I think I'm going to object to the question as
20	because he heard from a staffer, because he heard from a	20	vague and unclear as to what that would mean. Secondly,
21	legislator or someone else, then that would be	21	I think the question assumes I think that the
22	privilege. If he heard from public media sources,	22	question does invade privilege to some degree. He can
23	public statements, that sort of thing, I think that that	23	reveal conversations he's had if you want to ask him
24	would be not be. So that it wasn't clear to me the	24	about what specific state agencies, with legislators,
25	line you were drawing there. But if it invaded the	25	we're going to give the facts of the actual



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93 95 1 communication. But when you're asking him, "What 1 Q. How long has she been working for you? 2 conversations you've had in the course of your 2 A. I wasn't elected until '97. 3 analysis," I think that is overly broad, I think it's 3 Q. My apologies. How long has she been working vaque, and I think it invades the legislative privilege. 4 for you? 5 MS. WESTFALL: Could you reread the 5 A. I think since 1999. I think she started two 6 question, Court Reporter. 6 years after I got in the Senate, I believe. 7 (The requested portion was read by the 7 Q. Would you describe her as a trusted advisor? 8 court reporter.) 8 MR. SWEETEN: You can answer. 9 MR SWEETEN: Same objection. 9 10 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you following his 10 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) She wouldn't tell you 11 instruction? 11 anything that was untruthful, would she? 12 A. Yes. 12 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, argumentative, 13 Q. Yesterday, Ms. McCoy testified that your office 13 calls for --14 did not conduct any analysis of House Bill 218; is that 14 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You may answer. 15 15 A. Is it privilege? That's a judgment. 16 MR. SWEETEN: I'm sorry, can you reread 16 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, argumentative. 17 the question, please? 17 Objection, calls for speculation. Objection, vague. 18 (The requested portion was read by the 18 With that you can answer the question to 19 court reporter.) 19 the extent --20 MR. SWEETEN: First of all, I'm going to 20 A. I trust her judgment. 21 object based upon legislative privilege. 21 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Thank you. Ms. McCoy also 22 22 You do not have to reveal any analysis testified yesterday that you and your office did not 23 that -- that was conducted by or not conducted by your 23 conduct an analysis of the impact of HB 218 on minority 24 24 office. So you don't have to answer that question. voters; is that correct? 25 25 Privilege. MR. SWEETEN: Do not discuss the analysis 94 1 MS. WESTFALL: Mr. Sweeten, Ms. McCoy has 1 that was performed or not performed. 2 waived the privilege as -- as pertaining to that 2 So I'm going to object as to legislative 3 question and I would ask you reconsider that objection. 3 privilege? MR. SWEETEN: It's Senators Fraser's 4 A. Privilege. 5 privilege to assert. He is asserting the privilege and Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you conduct any analysis 5 6 6 we are so asserting it. of the impact of HB 218 on minority voters? 7 7 MS. WESTFALL: She testified about it MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege. 8 8 yesterday. Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you following the 9 MR. SWEETEN: Okay. 9 instruction? 10 10 MS. WESTFALL: And you did not make any A. Privilege. 11 effort to claim that that was privilege or otherwise 11 Q. Thanks. And we'll have to be careful because 12 prohibit that examination on that topic today. It's 12 we're going to make a mess of the transcript. But I 13 realize -been waived 1.3 14 MR. SWEETEN: Well, I'm currently 14 A. All right. Okay. 15 15 objecting to it based upon legislative privilege. So I Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Okay. We need to make our 16 am making an effort today for him not to disclose that 16 records, both of us. 17 matter which would be privileged. Analysis, it relates 17 Why didn't you -- strike that. 18 to his mental impressions, thoughts, or opinions about 18 Could you describe the procedural history 19 legislation. I'm going to instruct him accordingly. 19 of House Bill 218 after it was introduced in the House? 20 20 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Ms. McCoy is a long-term MR. SWEETEN: By procedural history, you 21 staff person of yours, isn't she? 21 mean how - how it went through the different committees 22 A. Yes. 22 and legislative process, the public record, it's --23 Q. She's been working for you since 1992; isn't 23 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you -- do you understand 24 that correct? 24 the question, Senator Fraser? 25 25 A. No. A. I do.



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1	Q. Thank you. Could you answer?	1	218 when it was being considered in the House?
2	A. I don't have that information.	2	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege.
3	Q. Do you know whether it was passed in the House?	3	Privilege.
4	A. Yes.	4	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you aware of any
5	Q. And then what happened after that?	5	conversations that were had with anybody involving you
6	A. In the legislative process, when a bill leaves	6	or your staff concerning concerns raised about HB 218 in
7	the House, it is delivered to the Senate, and the bill	7	the House?
8	is referred to a committee, and a member can request	8	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer to the extent
9	picking the bill up, or it or it is assigned to	9	that you can reveal conversations or people involved in
10	someone.	10	those conversations. Do not reveal the substance of
11	Q. And I believe you testified earlier that you	11	those conversations.
12	had there were conversations about your interest in	12	Reread the question, please.
13	carrying the bill; is that correct?	13	(Requested portion was read back by the
14	A. No. There that wasn't the conversation at	14	court reporter.)
15	all.	15	Q. Are you can you answer the question?
16	<ul> <li>Q. Go ahead and clarify your testimony.</li> </ul>	16	A. No.
17	Did you ask me a question?	17	Q. I believe you just testified that you carried
18	Q. Do you have an answer to that? Is the answer	18	HB 218 in the Senate, correct?
19	no?	19	A. Yes.
20	MR. SWEETEN: Is is I think he's	20	Q. Was there a reason for your interest in voter
21	asking.	21	ID?
- 22	A. There is no question. You didn't ask a	22	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege.
23	question.	23	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have a conversation
24	<ul> <li>Q. I said, I believe you testified earlier that</li> </ul>	24	with anyone about your interest in voter ID in 2007?
25	you had indicated interest in carrying HB 218 in the	25	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer whether or
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1	Senate; is that correct?	1	not you had a conversation. Don't reveal the contents
2	MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to object to the	2	of the conversation.
3	extent it misstates any prior testimony.	3	<ul> <li>A. Ask the question again, please.</li> </ul>
4	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You may answer.	4	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any
5	A. It's if you want if you want to pull up	5	conversations in 2007 related to your interest in voter
6	<ul> <li>I'll — testament of what I've said, you can, but the</li> </ul>	6	ID?
7	way you're stating the question, no, it is not correct.	7	A. I believe that's privileged because of nature
8	<ul> <li>Q. How did HB 218 come to be carried by you in</li> </ul>	8	of the conversation.
9	the Senate?	9	MR. SWEETEN: She can – she can get a
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1	A. The conversations	10	general subject matter. I do think interest in the bill
11	A. The conversations     THE WITNESS: Is that spec is	11	general subject matter. I do think interest in the bill is getting a little towards general. But I'm going to
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	A. No.	2	as to the identity of witnesses at a hearing.
	Q. Did you have more than one conversation?	3	MR. SWEETEN: Well, I'm you you can
4	A. Yes.	4	answer this question as phrased.
5	Q. With with Janice McCoy?	5	A. Ask the question again.
6	A. Yes.	6	MS. WESTFALL: Okay. Could you repeat
7	Q. Were these conversations in writing at all?	7	that question, Court Reporter?
8	A. No.	8	COURT REPORTER: I'm going to have to go
9	Q. Did an interest in preventing voter	9	back about two questions.
10	impersonation prompt your interest in sponsoring	10	MS. WESTFALL: You know what, why don't I
11	MR. SWEETEN: Objection. Sorry.	11	just save you the trouble.
12	MS. WESTFALL: Let me finish my question.	12	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Ms. McCoy testified that she
13	MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to.	13	made Skipper Wallace aware that the committee was having
14	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) HB 218?	14	
15		15	a hearing about HB 218, and that Mr. Wallace testified; is that correct?
16	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege.	16	
17	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And was HB 218 referred to the State Affairs Committee?	17	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, compound.
18		18	Go ahead.
1	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer.	Ì	A. There's no reason for me to assume that she
19	A. I believe it was. That, you know, to my	19	didn't.
20	knowledge that's where it went.	20	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Who is Skipper Wallace?
21	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did the committee hold a	21	A. He was a county Republican chair from a county
22	hearing on HB 218?	22	in my district.
23	A. Again, to my knowledge, yes, that's normal	23	Q. And what county was that?
24	procedure.	24	A. Lampasas.
25	Q. What was your role in the committee in 2007?	25	Q. Is he still in that position?
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1	Were you a member or were you the chair?	1	A. Yes.
2	A. A member.	2	Q. How long has he held that position?
3	Q. Do you recall the hearing that was held on HB	3	A. I'm sorry, i don't know.
4	218?	4	Q. Do you know why Mr. Wallace has an interest in
5	A. I'm sorry, no, not in detail.	5	voter iD?
6	Q. And Ms. McCoy testified yesterday that there	6	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, calls for
7	was a hearing on HB 218. And it's correct, it's your	7	speculation.
8	testimony, that there was one hearing?	8	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You may answer.
9	A. Again, I just testified, I don't - I don't	9	A. Privilege.
10	remember the hearing, but I'm assuming there was.	10	MS. WESTFALL: I'm not sure that is
11	Q. Do you recall that do you recall the	11	privilege, Mr. Sweeten. Could you think about directing
12	identity of any witnesses at that hearing?	12	your witness to answer the question?
13	A. No.	13	MR. SWEETEN: Well, I mean, the question
1	Q. Janice McCoy testified yesterday that the	14	very clearly calls for speculation. You're asking why
14	Republican party testified at the committee hearing on	15	Skipper Wallace believes or has an interest in, and
14 15	HB 218; do you believe that to be correct?	16	so it assumes facts not in evidence, it calls for
1	A. I I can't verify or not verify.	17	speculation.
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2	But don't reveal the substance.	2	party who voted against the bill?
3	A. I don't remember conversations with Skipper	3	A. No. I don't remember the vote.
4	Wallace	4	Q. Did you, after Committee voted it out, did you
5	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you know whether Ms. McCoy	5	bring it to the Senate Floor?
6	had conversations with Mr. Wallace about voter ID?	6	A. You're the answer is no. I did not bring
7	A. I have no way of knowing.	7.	the bill to the Senate Floor.
8	Q. Do you generally know whether Ms. McCoy has	8	Q. Was HB 218 brought to the Senate Floor?
9	conversations with groups or individuals?	9	A. It was recognized to be brought forward.
10	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, vague.	10	Q. And who recognized it to be brought forward?
11	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You may answer.	11	A. I don't remember who was in the chair at the
12	A. I don't always know who she's talking to.	12	time.
13	Q. Do you predominantly know who she's talking to?	13	Q. Was it Lieutenant Governor Dewhurst?
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17	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) But listening very carefully	17	would bring a bill, or how would it move from committee
18	to my question, does she mostly let you know when she's	18	to Floor?
19	meeting with individuals or groups?	19	Whoever is sitting in the chair acting as
20	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, calls for	20	presiding officer would recognize the member.
21	speculation.	21	Q. Is there a way that it got on to the list of
22	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You may answer.	22	bills to be considered for Floor consideration?
23	MR. SWEETEN: If you if you can, answer	23	A. When a bill comes out of committee, it is sent
24	the question, please.	24	to the Floor, and is put in the regular order of
25	A. The answer is still the same. She, you know,	25	business.
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3	blocker bill to be put into place at the beginning of	3	either.
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8	that this doesn't invade privilege. You can talk about	8	blocker bill.
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12	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) What was the substance of the	12	"Senator Fraser, you are recognized for a motion on
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15	Q. Can you describe it?	15	know who was chairing the Senate at that time; is that
16	A. It's usually something having to do with the	16	right?
17	gardening of the state lawn. It's	17	A. No.
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22	A. Yes.	22	Information, don't provide. Anything
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1	MR. SWEETEN: It is not Counsel	1	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) This declaration pertains to
2	MS. WESTFALL: And I'm going to have that	2	matters that some of which occurred on the Senate Floor,
3	on the record.	3	does it not?
4	MR. SWEETEN: It is not a game, I assure	1	A. Show me what happened on the Senate Floor.
5	you. I mean, I'm not sure if you're asking him to make	5	Q. Mr. Uresti appeared on the Senate Floor, on
6	a speech on issues. He's certainly not going to do	6	Paragraph 7.
7	that.	7	And I will agree that that happened.
8	MS. WESTFALL: No, I	8	<ul> <li>Q. And also turning your attention to Paragraph 9,</li> </ul>
9	MR. SWEETEN: The way it works is, you ask	9	do you have any different recollections than what
10	a question, he gets to answer. He trying to do that.	10	Senator Uresti has put forth in Paragraph 9?
11	MS. WESTFALL: And I'm asking for	11	A. The no, that is not correct.
12	assistance as he is an expert in the procedures of Texas	12	Q. Could you could you indicate what you
13	State Senate and I am not. To make sure that	13	disagree with in Paragraph 9?
14	MR. SWEETEN: I'm not even sure what the	14	<ol> <li>If a bill passes and the bill is suspended,</li> </ol>
15	what you're even asking him. I mean, he he will	15	then you would move to the next step, which would be to
16	answer the question that's posed to him. He will do the	16	hear the bill. There was never a final resolution of
17	best he can to answer that, to the extent it's not	17	the vote to vote to suspend.
18	privileged. He's trying do that, will continue to do	18	Q. Was that
19	that.	19	A. And the vote was kept open. So what the way
20	MS. WESTFALL: Thank you, Mr. Sweeten.	20	he's describing it here is is partially correct, but
21	Could you mark this as Exhibit 45.	21	not in its entirety.
22	(Exhibit 45 marked for identification.)	22	<ul> <li>Q. Were you involved in any conversations</li> </ul>
23	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You've been handed what's	23	concerning keeping the vote open on HB 218?
24	been marked as Exhibit 45. If you can take a look at	24	A. No.
25	this document and let me know when you've had a chance	25	Q. What is Senator Uresti race or ethnicity?
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1	it. If she's asking if there was a request made and it	1	testified the purpose of the rule is general consensus
2	involved internal communications, then that would be	2	on the bills," and he said, "privilege" and didn't
3	privileged.	3	answer Would you
4		4	MR. SWEETEN: Okay. Well, I mean, the
5		5	preceeding question was, you asked him, well, is there a
6		6	purpose. And he said there's no purpose. So he's
7	•	7	answered what he thinks the purpose is. And now you're
8		8	coming back with "she says this, is she – is she
وا		9	right?" I mean, by its own
10		10	MS. WESTFALL: It's a different question.
11	. ,	11	•
12		12	MR. SWEETEN: Okay.
13	- 9,	13	MS. WESTFALL: About the purpose.
14	the standard bringer and all the mineral	14	MR. SWEETEN: So is the question, "Is
15		1	Ms. McCoy right about that"? I think he's already
16	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	15	answered it, but if you
•		16	MS. WESTFALL: He said, "privileged." We
17		17	can read back the record, Mr. Sweeten.
18	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	1.8	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer that he
19		19	question.
20		20	A. Privilege to waive the question when asked.
21	MR. SWEETEN: Okay.	21	MR. SWEETEN: Okay,
22		22	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) I'll reask it: Ms. McCoy
23	• ' '	23	testified yesterday that the purpose of the two-thirds
24	A. There is no purpose for the two-thirds rule.	24	rule is general consensus on bills. Do you agree with
25	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) It's just a rule that's in	25	that?
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1	place for absolutely no reason?	1	A. No.
2	A. You're asking me. And my response is there is	2	Q. Did the Senate take any further action on House
3	no	3	Bill 218?
4	Q. And Ms. McCoy testified yesterday in her	4	MR. SWEETEN: Don't reveal privilege. You
5	deposition the purpose of the rule is to reach general	5	can reveal matters of public record.
6	consensus on the bills. Do you agree with her view of	6	A. To my knowledge, there was no other action
7	the purpose of the two-thirds rule?	7	taken on 218 in that session.
8	A. No.	8	Q. Were there any conversations about 218 after it
9	Q. How do you – why do you disagree?	9	failed to pass the Senate?
10	A. Privilege.	10	A. Privilege.
11	Q. Ms. McCoy also testified that most bitls are	11	Q. And that's a yes-no question about whether
12	brought under the two-thirds rule. Do you agree with	12	conversations
13	that testimony?	13	MR. SWEETEN: She just say if a
14	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer.	14	conversation existed. Don't say what the conversation
15	A. I would not agree with the word "most."	15	entailed. So, were there conversations, is her
16	Q. How would you characterize it?	16	question.
17	A. Meaning?	17	A. Yes.
18	MS. WESTFALL: Mr. Sweeten, Senator Fraser	18	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) How many?
19	just refused to answer my question about the purpose,	19	A. One that I can remember.
20	whether the purpose of the two-thirds rule was general	20	Q. Were you directly involved or did you hear
21	consensus on bills. And I believe that was an improper	21	about the conversation?
22	• •	22	A. I was directly involved.
	refusal to answer my question. Will you advice your	24	
23	refusal to answer my question. Will you advice your client to answer the question?	23	•
1	- 1		Q. And who else was in the conversation?
23	client to answer the question?	23	•



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1	A. I don't remember the specific person.	1	Q. Do you remember the bill number?
2	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You were in a conversation	2	A. 362, SB 362.
3	and you don't know who else was I mean, do you have a	3	MS. WESTFALL: Could you hand the witness
4	general sense of whether it was a staff person or was it	4	29, please.
5	a legislator?	5	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You've been handed what's
6	A. Yes. I have a general sense.	6	been previously marked as U.S. 29. Do you recognize
7	Q. Was it legislator?	7	this document?
8	A. No.	8	MR. SWEETEN: I'll tidy this up a little
9	Q. Was it a staff person?	9	bit here. Which one do you need? Are you done with
10	A. I believe it was.	10	this?
11		1	
12	Q. Was it a staff person in the Senate?	11	Okay, you're asking about 29 right now, is
1	THE WITNESS: How do I answer this?	12	that right?
13	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer if who	13	THE WITNESS: 362.
14	the identity of person to the best of your knowledge.	14	MR. SWEETEN: Exhibit 29 though?
15	A. I believe the conversation was with the	15	MS. WESTFALL: Yes, yes.
16	Lieutenant Governor's Office and I believe it was a	16	MR. SWEETEN: Okay. Gotcha.
17	staffer.	17	MS. WESTFALL: They all look alike.
18	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Was it Mr. Hebert?	18	MR. SWEETEN: Yes, they do.
19	A. Not likely.	19	<ul> <li>Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And do you recognize this</li> </ul>
20	Q. Was it Ms. Rathgeber?	20	bill?
21	A. Possibly.	21	A. Yes.
22	Q. Was this in person or by phone?	22	Q. And what is it?
23	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer.	23	A. Senate Bill 362.
24	A. In person.	24	Q. This is as filed in the Senate or did this
25	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) How soon after the vote on HB	25	A. I believe this is the bill that was we
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1	218 did this occur?	1	filed.
2	A. Not immediately.	2	Q. Did you also file a bill SB 363?
3	Q. A few weeks?	3	A. Yes.
4	A. A week.	4	Q. And could you tell us about that bill and what
5	Q. Were there any other conversations, you recall,	5	did it do?
6	about HB 218 after it didn't pass in the Senate?	6	A. My only knowledge of that bill is seeing I
7	A. No.	7	read in a press release last night of that bill, the
В	Q. Thank you. Did you talk to - actually do you	8	bill was filed of what we call a "shell," and to my
9	recall any conversations with anyone in the Governor's	9	knowledge, the bill never moved and never had a hearing.
10	Office after HB 218 failed?	10	Q. What does "shell" mean?
11	A. You're you're Governor Governor?	11	A. It was a caption for a bill, if needed, to
12	Q. Governor Governor.	12	for a bill to, you know, to address an issue, but it
13	A. No.	13	never it was never to my I don't remember
14	Q. Do you recall any conversations about HB 218	14	having a hearing on the bill.
15	after it failed in the Senate with anyone in the	15	Q. Was it a placeholder in effect?
1	_	16	A. Yes.
116	Secretary of State's Office?	1~~	r =
16 17	Secretary of State's Office?  A No.	17	O And did SR 362 and SR 363 kind of no hand-in-
17	A. No.	17 18	Q. And did SB 362 and SB 363 kind-of go hand-in- hand with one another?
17 18	A. No.     Q. Or in with the Department of Public Safety?	18	hand with one another?
17 18 19	A. No.     Q. Or in with the Department of Public Safety?     A. No.	18 19	hand with one another?  A. No.
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2	A. I don't remember 363.	2	A. The balance from 8 down.
3	MS. WESTFALL: Court Reporter, would you	3	Q. Right.
4			A. It lists 11 other pieces of identification.
5	hand him what's been previously marked as Exhibit 36.	4	Q. Thank you. Were you involved in the
	Thank you, sir.	5	development of Senate Bill 362?
6	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) I'm going to hand you what's	6	A. No.
7	been previously marked as Exhibit 36. Do you recognize	7	Q. You filed 362, didn't you?
8	this document?	8	A. Yes.
9	A. What was the question?	9	Q. Who developed it if you didn't?
10	Q. Do you recognize this document?	10	A. This is the bill that was passed this was
11	A. I recognize it is represented this is Senate	11	the bill that 218 that was passed by the House. We
12	Bill 363.	12	started with the House version that had passed the House
13	<ul> <li>Q. Yes. And do you see your name is at the top</li> </ul>	13	the year before.
14	left –	14	Q. So you just simply
15	A. 1 do.	15	A. Picked up.
16	<ul> <li>Q. – as the person who introduced it; is that</li> </ul>	16	Q refiled the
17	right?	17	A. Refiled the Bill 218 that came over. And I
18	Is this - does this bill require persons	18	want to clarify, that was my understanding. It might
19	to present documentary proof of citizenship when	19	not be exactly word-for-word, but the intention was to
20	registering?	20	file
21	A. The bill, if passed, had a provision in it as	21	MR. SWEETEN: Don't talk about intention.
22	filed that would provide for proof of citizenship.	22	okay? You're not talking about we're not here to
23	Q. And these - these bills were filed around the	23	talk about our mental impression, opinions about
24	same time, SB 362 and SB 363; is that right?	24	legislation.
25	A. It's implied if it's this next number, it	25	THE WITNESS: Okay.
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1	Senate Bill 362?	1	of you?
2	MR. SWEETEN: Same objection. Objection,	2	A. I don't know for sure, but I believe it was
3	privilege.	3	likely Ms. McCoy.
4	Don't don't reveal thoughts, mental	4	Q. Was that was there one conversation with the
5	impressions, opinions about legislation or in	5	Lieutenant Governor's Office about the filing of 362?
6	furtherance of the legislative process.	6	A. Yes. It's all it would be.
7	A. Privilege.	7	Q. Did you have any communications with officials
8	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you look to any other	В	or legislators from other states including but not
9	sources other than HB 218 in developing and drafting and	9	limited to Georgia and Indiana concerning the drafting
10	filing Senate Bill 362?	10	of HB 362 before it was filed?
11	A. No.	111	A. No.
12	MR. SWEETEN: Same objection.	12	Q. Did you have any conversation about Senate Bill
13	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any	13	362 with any interest groups before it was filed?
14	communications about Senate Bill 362 with other current	14	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer as to whether
15	or former legislators who'd offered past photo ID bills,	15	or not a conversation occurred. Do not discuss the
16	before filing the bill?	16	substance of the conversation.
17	A. Privilege.	17	A. No.
18	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer as to the	18	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any
19	fact of a communication, okay? So you can say if if	19	communications about Senate Bill 362 with any
20	you if conversations occurred, but you do not reveal	20	individuals including constituents in Texas before you
21	the substance of those.	21	filed it?
22	A. And this is the 362 in '09? Ask the question	22	A. Yes.
23	·	23	
24	again.	24	Q. And who was the who was the person with whom
25	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any     communications about Senate Bill 362 with other current	25	you had the conversation?  MR. SWEETEN: You can reveal who the
25	communications about Senate Bin 302 with other correct	23	MR. SVVEETEN. TOU can reveal who the
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2	A. Once a month.	2	Q. Do you know what federal agency would issue
3	Q. Did you have one conversation with Mr. Wallace	3	such a card or agencies?
4	about 362 before it was filed?	4	A. I do not know that.
5	A. Yes.	5	Q. Was that discussed at all in in the drafting
6	Q. Did you have more than one?	6	or filing process for Senate Bill 362?
7	Not to my knowledge.	7	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege.
8	Q. Did you have any communications with any other	8	A. Privilege.
9	constituents or individuals besides Mr. Wallace about	9	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Turning your attention to a
10	362 before it was filed?	10	little lower down on the page where it indicates it
11	A. No.	11	would include valid ID cards containing a person's
12	Q. I believe you testified earlier about the forms	12	photograph from an agency or institution of federal
13	of ID that are listed that are allowable in Senate Bill	13	government or agency or institution or political
14	362. I want to turn your attention to those.	14	subdivision of the state, do you see that?
15	Why did you include the forms of allowable	15	A. Uh-huh.
16	photo ID that you included in 362 that you did?	16	Q. Would that include student IDs from state
17	MR. SWEETEN: Why did you include those,	17	colleges and universities to the best of your knowledge?
18	that's legislatively privileged. Do not provide an	18	A. I don't know the answer.
19	answer to that question.	19	Q. Did you have any communications with anyone
20	A. That's privileged.	20	about the forms of ID to included in Senate Bill 362?
21	MR. SWEETEN: That's privileged. Do not	21	MR. SWEETEN: You can reveal whether or
22	answer that question.	22	not a communication occurred. Do not reveal the
23	A. Yes, privileged.	23	substance of any such communication?
24	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Let me ask you a question	24	No communication.
25	about one of the forms of ID.	25	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You had no communications?
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1	Do you need a minute?	1	I'm sorry, I didn't hear you?
2	A. No. I'm good.	2	A. No communication.
3	MS. WESTFALL: Okay.	3	Q. Thank you. Do you know who would know the
4	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Turning your attention to	4	answer to my previous question about whether student IDs
5	Senate Bill 362, do you see where it lists United States	5	would be included in the passage of 362 we just
6	military identification cards?	6	described?
7	MR. SWEETEN: What page? I'll help him.	7	MR. SWEETEN: I mean, you're asking who
8	MS. WESTFALL: It's page top of Page 6.	В	might know?
9	MR. SWEETEN: Here.	9	A. Anyone that could clarify that if a university
10	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Could you - do you see that?	10	state university is a political subdivision.
11	A. Uh-huh.	11	Q. Right. Who would who or for purposes of
12	Q. Could you describe what types of cards would	12	this statute, is there any any person who would
13	fall under this category?	13	who you can sitting here today, who would know the
14	A. A United States military identification card	14	answer to that question?
15	that contains the person's photograph.	15	A. There's lot of people.
16	Q. Do you have any other information about the	16	Q. Pardon?
17	types of cards that this would specify?	17	A. Almost anyone but me.
18	A. It would cover United States military	18	Q. So can you specify anyone?
19	identification cards that contains the person's	19	A. Sure. Someone working for state government
20	photograph.	20	could could verify that. I could verify that with
120	O lait is it was tastimans that that the	21	time, but I can't answer answer it right now,
21	Q. is it is it your testimony that that the		
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21		i i	Q. Did you analyze or direct anyone to analyze
21 22	definition of military identification card is - is	22	



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141 143 1 Legislative privilege. provision is what I'm asking about, Mr. Sweeten. I'm 2 2 A. Privilege. going to restate my question. You can decide how you 3 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you read any research 3 want to respond to this order. 4 about voter ID to assist you in drafting Senate Bill 4 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Could you read back -- well, 5 5 you know what, it's probably way back. I'll -- just let 6 A. Privilege. me redo the question. 7 MR. SWEETEN: Same objection, legislative 7 As to Senate Bill 362, what was the 8 8 privilege. purpose of the provision allowing voters to use nonphoto 9 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you conduct or instruct g ID at the polls on election day? 10 anyone to conduct an analysis of the impact of Senate 10 A. To protect the integrity of the ballot box. 11 Bill 362 on minority voters? 11 MR. ROSENBERG: Could you repeat that 12 MR. SWEETEN: Same objection, privilege. 12 back? I didn't hear it. 13 13 MR. SWEETEN: "To protect the integrity of 14 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) If 362 had been passed, would 14 the ballot box." 15 it have been subject to the requirements of Section 5 of 15 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Okay. And how would 16 16 the Voting Rights Act? including and allowing those forms of photo ID further 17 17 Ask the question again. that purpose? 18 Q. If Senate Bill 362 had been passed, would it 18 A. To protect the integrity of the ballot box. 19 have been subject to the requirements of Section 5 of 19 Q. So is it your testimony that a voter -- it 20 the Voting Rights Act? 20 would be acceptable under this bill and would further 21 A. All voting legislation in a Section 5 state is 21 that purpose to allow voters to present either photo or 22 22 subject to the Voting Rights Act. nonphoto ID; is that correct? 23 23 Q. So is your answer that yes, it would have been? A. I would assert privilege on that. 24 A. Yes. 24 MS. WESTFALL: I will allow your counsel 25 Q. Turning your attention back to Senate Bill 362, 25 to confer and then .... Let the record reflect there is a 142 144 1 1 I believe you testified earlier that it would allow a colloquy between the state's counsel right now about the 2 2 voter to present forms of nonphoto ID; is that correct? privilege issues. 3 3 A long list on Page - starting on Page 6 and continuing MR. SWEETEN: Yeah. We're all - of 4 4 into 7? course there is. We're considering the Court's Order 5 5 A. Yes. and its application to the facts of the case -6 Q. Why did you -- why did you include that 6 MS. WESTFALL: Very good. 7 provision in the bill? 7 MR. SWEETEN: - which is not at all 8 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative 8 times --9 privilege. 9 MS. WESTFALL: I'm grateful. I'm 10 10 Do not reveal thoughts, mental grateful. 11 impressions, opinions about legislation. 11 MR. SWEETEN: Good. I'm glad you are. 12 12 A. Privilege. We're certainly going to follow the Court's Order. 13 Q. What was the purpose -- what is the purpose of 13 I'm going to go on ahead and go on the 14 the nonphoto ID allowable in Senate Bill 362? 14 record 15 15 The Court has, with respect to this 16 MS. WESTFALL: Mr. Sweeten? 16 matter, the Court has - has ordered that Texas will --17 MR. SWEETEN: As the court has said, he 17 that the witness can testify as to the general purpose 18 18 can provide -- Jet's read from the Court's Order: or the purpose of a legislature as a whole, and in this 19 19 "Privilege does not protect testimony with respect to case it says enacting Senate Bill 14. 20 20 the general purpose or the purpose of a legislature as a So he can testify about the general 21 whole in enacting Senate Bill 14 as opposed to the 21 purpose. But for you to parse and to take specific 22 subjective intent of the legislator." So, I think he 22 provisions out and then ask him each purpose is - is 23 could testify as to the purpose of the bill, and I will 23 not, I think, in accordance with what the Court's Order 24 allow him testify as to the purpose of the overall bill. 24 is. We are going to, as he's sitting here, he can 25 MS. WESTFALL: The purpose of this 25 testify as to the general purpose of the bill. So we'll



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1	allow that testimony.	1	Bill 362?
2	MS. WESTFALL: In other words, you're	2	A. Yes.
3	directing him not to answer the last question on the on	3	Q. Who was that conversation with?
4	the basis of privilege?	4	<ol> <li>A. Lieutenant Governor Dewhurst.</li> </ol>
5	MR. SWEETEN: Well, can we hear the last	5	Q. And when did that conversation occur?
6	question again?	6	<ol> <li>Prior to the bill coming to the Floor.</li> </ol>
7	MS. WESTFALL: Can you search for my last	7	Q. And was anyone else in that meeting beside you
8	question, sir.	8	and Mr. Dewhurst?
9	(Requested portion was read back by the	9	A. I don't remember.
10	court reporter.)	10	Q. Was that in-person conversation?
11	MR. SWEETEN: You're you're asking if	11	A. Yes.
12	it would be acceptable under the bill. I think you've	12	Q. Was that in his office or yours?
13	gone beyond what is the purpose of the bill. He can	13	A. His.
14	testify about the purpose of the bill. I I think	14	<ul> <li>Q. Do you recall any other conversations about</li> </ul>
15	you're going beyond what what he has to do. He	15	including nonphoto ID in Senate Bitl 362?
16	obviously, you know, the Court has said that he doesn't	16	A. No.
17	have to provide his subjective intent of the legislator	17	Q. Thank you,
18	or other legislators. He can testify about the purpose	18	Were there any are you aware of any
19	of the bill. He's done so.	19	e-mails or other written communications concerning any
20	So I think that's we're going instruct	20	of the meetings you just testified about including
21	as to privilege as to that issue.	21	nonphoto ID in Senate Bill 362?
22	MS. WESTFALL: Okay.	22	No knowledge of any.
23	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any	23	Q. Are you familiar with the concept of Spanish
24	conversations with anyone about allowing nonphoto ID in	24	surnamed voter registration?
25	HB SB 362?	25	A. No.
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5	A. Yes.	5	purpose of 362 was to preserve the integrity of the
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7	MR. SWEETEN: Now, wait a minute. Now	7	A. To preserve the integrity of the ballot box.
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17	as well.	17	he's answered the question.
18	MS. WESTFALL: I certainly do. I have it	18	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Was a there a lack of
19	right in front of me, Mr. Sweeten.	19	integrity in the ballot box in 2009?
20	MR. SWEETEN: Right. So do I.	20	MR. SWEETEN: I think that's privileged.
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9	MR. SWEETEN: Yeah, yeah. I'm going to	9	can cast a ballot.
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19		19	MR. SWEETEN: Are you reading from this?
20	MS. WESTFALL: Yes. Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you recognize this	20	MS. WESTFALL: I am. I'm asking him to
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17	three times and is it is it your testimony today that	17	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did any groups representing
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20	answer my question?	20	instruction.
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25	Senate Bill 362?	25	not you've had communications and facts about those
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2	Q. Did you have any communications with	2	substance.
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7	A. Privilege.	7	Senate Bill 362?
8	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Who, besides you, were the	8	A. Yes.
1	main proponents of Senate Bill 362?	1	Q. Could you name each and every one of those
9 10	MR. SWEETEN: To the extent you can refer	9 10	individuals or groups?  A. Skipper Wallace.
11	the matters of public record?	11	Q. Who else?
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4	conversations with any bill opponents?	4	has he had conversations with opponents of the bill.
5	A. Privilege.	5	think he's testified as to the fact of the conversation
6	Q. Conversations?	6	and he's revealed that he's had discussions with the
7	MR. SWEETEN: You can testify about the	7	opponents.
8	facts of conversations. Who you talked to, what day,	8	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And you had one conversation
وا	and how long, the duration of them, but don't reveal the	9	with Senator Whitmire?
10	substance of the conversation.	10	
11	THE WITNESS: You said I	}	A. Likely more than one.
12		11	Q. Did, after that, just temporally actually,
	MR. SWEETEN: You can testify as to	12	that was before you filed Senate Bill 362; is that
13	whether you had conversations with with opponents as	13	right?
14	long as they're not privileged. I mean, for example, if	14	A. Yes,
15	you talked to a legislator about it, it would be a	15	Q. And you also had a conversation with Senator
16	privilege. You can talk to you can say whether or	16	Ellis; is that correct?
17	not you had a conversation with an opponent. You can	17	A. Yes.
18	list the name of the person on the	18	Q. Could you tell me the general nature of that
19	THE WITNESS: But if it's a legislator,	19	conversation?
20	would it be privileged?	20	A. Privileged.
21	MR. SWEETEN: You can identify whether or	21	Q. When was did that conversation occur?
22	not you had a conversation. Don't reveal any of the	22	A. Likely, after session started.
23	substance whatsoever.	23	Q. Was it after you filed the bill?
24	A. I had a — had a conversation with an an	24	A. Yes.
25	opponent.	25	Q. Was there any change made to the bill
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1	MR. SWEETEN: I will let him testify	1	let me think, about the privilege of your questioning
2	well, I'm not going to let him reveal his thoughts,	2	again.
3	mental impressions or opinions about legislation or in	3	Court reporter, can you reread that
4	furtherance of the legislative process. That's covered.	4	question, please?
5	So I'm I think the way it's phrased, I can't allow	5	(Requested portion read back by the court
6	him to answer that, so no, I'm going to object on	6	reporter.)
7	privilege grounds.	7	MR. SWEETEN: That reveals his thoughts,
8	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are there any publicly known	8	I'm afraid. I'm going to object on privilege.
9	and publicly available procedures that you used to get	9	If you want to rephrase the preface of the
10	Senate Bill 362 passed through the Senate?	10	question. You know, general subject matter is one
11	MR. SWEETEN: I think it still I think	11	thing. That is more than general subject matter. So if
12	that's implying a purpose, and therefore, is	12	you want to change the question, we may allow him to
13	legislatively privileged. I mean, I think you could ask	13	answer.
14	the general what procedures occurred on a factual basis	14	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any
15	with respect to the bill. I don't think that that would	15	conversations prior to bringing 362 to the Floor
16	I would have an objection to that.	16	concerning counting votes?
17	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Okay. What procedures were	17	MR. SWEETEN: Okay. I'm going to let you
18	employed to in conjunction with consideration of	18	answer as to if you had conversations about counting
19	Senate Bill 362 in the Senate?	19	votes.
20	MR. SWEETEN: I think that's still it's	20	A Yes.
21	still infirm. I object, privilege.	21	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And who did you have a
22	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) What was your strategy for	22	conversation with?
23	getting Senate Bill 362 passed?	23	A. Likely had a conversation with all 31 senators,
24	MR. SWEETEN: Same objection, privilege.	24	all 30 other senators.
25	A. Privileģe.	25	Q. All 30 senators in the Republican caucus?
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2	Bill 362, did you know how many senators would support	2	Q. Who were those 30 senators?
3	it?	3	A. There are 31 members of the Texas Senate; not
4	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege.	4	counting me, there are 30.
5	A. Privilege.	5	Q. So you had a conversation with all the senators
6	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you try to make any	6	about counting votes on 362?
7	determination about the number of senators who would	7	A. I would believe that I had a conversation with
8	support Senate Bill 362 prior to bringing it to the	8	every senator.
9	Floor?	9	Q. Do you mean individual conversations?
10	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege.	10	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer that.
11	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Sir, are you relying upon	11	A. Yes.
12	advice of counsel?	12	MR. SWEETEN: Okay. Let me just make sure
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1	the substance.	1	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And what year were these
2	A. Edon't know.	2	rules adopted?
3	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you learn as a result of	3	A. Just a second. I'm sorry. I need to retract
4	these conversations that you did not have the support of	4	the last of okay. I'm sorry. The answer I gave you
5	two-thirds of senators for 362?	5	was incorrect. It was not the hearing. This is the
6	MR, SWEETEN: Objection. Calls for	6	Senate rules that were adopted.
7	matters that are subject to the legislative privilege.	7	Q. Thank you.
8	A. Privilege.	8	A. January 14th.
9	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) During these conversations,	9	Q. Thank you.
10	did you solicit the view of the members as to whether he	10	And was this in 2009?
11	or she supported 362?	11	A. Yes.
12	MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to object. You're	12	Q. Were these rules operable during consideration
13	asking for the substance of the conversations. Don't	13	of Senate Bill 362?
14	answer based on legislative privilege.	14	A. Yes.
15	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) During these individual	15	Q. And turning your attention to Rule 5.11 on Page
16	conversations, did you discuss support or opposition	16	24 of this document, Exhibit 32, could you direct your
17	against 362?	17	attention to that?
18	MR. SWEETEN: Same objection.	1.8	A. Page 24?
19	A. Privilege.	19	Q. 24, yes. Could you take a look at Rule 5.11?
20	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you try to persuade any	20	A. Uh-huh.
21	member who was opposed to Senate Bill 362 to vote for	21	Q. Could you describe this rule?
22	it?	22	A. I'm sorry?
23	MR. SWEETEN: Same objection.	23	Q. Could you describe this rule?
24	A. Privilege.	24	A. Could you be more specific?
25	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) I hand you what's been	25	Q. Could you describe what this rule provides for
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2	A. The purpose is to not	2	Objection to the sidebar.
3	MR. SWEETEN: Hold on, Hold on, I think	3	A. No.
4	as it pertains to voter ID requirements, I'm going to	4	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Were there any conversations
5	object. I think that that calls for him to reveal	5	about establishing Rule 5.11D that you're aware of?
6	matters of legislative privilege. He's also already	6	A. Yes.
7	answered in previous questioning questions about this	7	Q. When did that conversation occur?
8	rule.	8	A. In the Committee of the Whole meeting with all
9	MS. WESTFALL: Are you preventing me from	9	31 senators.
10	examining the witness about this exhibit, the rules in	10	Q. When was that meeting?
11	2009 pertaining to voter ID?	11	A. Prior to the passage of this. It was likely
12	MR. SWEETEN: I'm not prohibiting you from	12	the first week of the session.
13	examining about the exhibit. You can do that. And you	13	Q. Is there a Senate rules committee that adopts
14	have done that.	14	rules at the beginning of every session?
15	MS. WESTFALL: I would direct you also to	15	A. Not a specified rules committee, no.
16	the Court's Order of today concerning purpose. And the	16	Q. Does the Committee of the Whole Senate
17	purpose of a rule governing consideration of voter ID in	17	establish its own rules?
18	2009, are you prohibiting me from examining the witness?	18	A. Yes.
19	MR. SWEETEN: Counsel, you've already	19	Q. Who is the chair of that committee in 2009?
20	asked him very specifically earlier about this rule and	20	A. It would have to be John Whitmire, because he's
21	what he felt the purpose of it was and what Janice McCoy	21	the Dean of the Senate, and he runs the meeting that
22	thought the purpose of it was. You've already asked	22	establishes that calls for the vote on the rules.
23	this question.	23	Q. Did you have any conversations with Senator
24	MS. WESTFALL: I can ask a different	24	Williams concerning Rule 5.11D or the concept embodied
25	question. But I'm going to keep my question on the	25	therein?
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1	record. I'm not withdrawing it.	1	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer as to whether
2	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) What was purpose in Rule	2	a conversation occurred, otherwise it's legislatively
3	5.11D of specifying voter ID requirements?	3	privileged.
4	MR. SWEETEN: Okay. I'm going to let him	4	A. Yes. There was a conversation.
5	answer as to your previous question, what is the purpose	5	Q. When did that conversation occur?
6	of that rule. He can answer that.	6	A. Immediately prior to this meeting.
7	A. The purpose of number – of Subsection C (sic)	7	Q. I believe you testified this meeting would have
8	is to establish a special order, that notwithstanding	В	been the first week of session in January; is that
9	the section's rule, a bill or resolution relating to the	9	correct, of 2009?
10	voter identification requirements reported favorably by	10	A. It looks like it was January 14, and the
11	the committee can be set as a special order.	11	session I think probably started on the 10th, so the
12	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And are you reading from	12	first week of the session.
13	Subsection D of Rule 5.11?	13	Q. What was your conversation with Senator
14	A. D, yes, I am.	14	Williams about?
15	Q. What – I'm going to ask the question I asked	15	MR. SWEETEN: Do not reveal, based on
16	previously, which is what was the purpose of specifying	16	legislative privilege.
17	voter ID requirements by name in Rule 5.11D and setting	17	A. Privilege.
18	specific procedures for those requirements?	18	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Was anyone else at that
19	A. It was to specify a special order relating to	19	meeting?
20	what is mentioned in Subsection D.	20	A. No.
21	Q. And what was the purpose of that special order?	21	Q. Who requested that meeting, you or Senator
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22	A. To establish a special order.	22	Williams?
1	A. To establish a special order.     Q. Okay. So what I'm hearing is roundy, roundy	22	MR. SWEETEN: Objection.
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2	gaining two-thirds support of all senators in 2009 to	2	best of your knowledge, have you seen any other rule
3	support SB 362?	3	that was similar to Rule 5.11D during your service in
4	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative	4	the Texas Senate?
5	privilege.	5	A. You're asking ask the question again,
6	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you request that the	6	please.
7	two-thirds rule be suspended for Senate Bill 362?	7	Q. Certainly. During your time in the Senate,
8	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative	8	since 1997, have you ever seen a rule in the rules that
9	privilege.	9	was similar to Rule 5.11D?
10	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you know of anyone in the	10	A. Yes.
11	Senate or otherwise who requested the two-thirds rule be	111	Q. Tell me about each and every time you've seen a
12	suspended for consideration of Senate Bill 362?	12	rule like that.
13	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, calls for	13	A. It would be impossible for me to tell you
14	legislative privilege.	14	because every session, there are multiple rule changes
15	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you aware of any other	15	in a revision of the rules. The rules are set by the
16	conversations, other than the one that you just	16	senators prior to the session, and we change the rules
17	described with Senator Williams, or the meeting of the	17	often.
18	Committee of the Whole, concerning suspending the	18	Q. Have you ever seen a subject matter like voter
19	two-thirds rule for consideration of Senate Bill 362?	19	ID requirements listed in Rule 5.11?
20	MR. SWEETEN: Is he aware of any	20	A. As a special order?
21	conversations about the two-thirds rule?	21	Q. Yes.
22	MS. WESTFALL: Correct.	22	A. Yes.
23	MR. SWEETEN: Okay. You can answer as to	23	Q. Tell me each and every time that's happened.
24	whether or not there were conversations. Do not reveal	24	A. I can't, you know, tell you the exact
25	any substance other than that.	25	amount. You asked, had it been done, and I've answered
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2	a particular subject matter area as being set for	2	two-thirds of a vote to get around the blocker bill; is
3	special order for a time at least 24 hours after the	3	that right?
4	motion, et cetera?	4	A. To bring up the blocker bill is a majority. If
5	. A. I would believe most years.	5	you follow the regular order of business, it is a
6	Q. Most years. Okay. Are you familiar with the	6	majority vote.
7	two-thirds rule? You testified about that earlier	7	Q. Once a blocker bill is in place, you need
В	today, did you not?	8	two-thirds to overcome that; is that correct? And to go
9	A. There's no such thing as a two-thirds rule.	9	out of order; is that correct?
10	Q. Is there a two-thirds tradition?	10	· _
111	A. No.	11	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, compound.  A. You asked two questions.
12		12	-
13	Q. Is there a two-thirds procedure?  A. Yes.	13	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Why don't you take the first
14		14	one first, and then we'll do the second one?
15	Q. Do most measures and bills require the support	1	Does it require two-thirds vote to
1	of two-thirds of senators in the Texas Senate?	15	overcome a blocker bill and go out of order?
16 17	A. I would not say most.	16	A. There's no such thing as overcoming the blocker
1	Q. Ms. McCoy testified yesterday that she was	17	bill.
18	unaware	18	Q. I'm using the wrong terms, because I am not
19	A. I'm sorry. I need to back up.	19	familiar with the Texas Senate rules, but I would like
20	Q. Certainly.	20	you to interpret my terms as broadly as you are able to
21	A. No bills require a two-thirds majority.	21	understand them to answer the question.
22	Q. Is that because it is two-thirds of senators to	22	A. If you ask that question correctly, I'll be
23	bring the bill to the Floor for a vote on the substance	23	glad to answer it.
24	of the bill, generally speaking?	24	Q. Okay. Well, Ms. McCoy testified yesterday she
25	A. That's because of the regular order of	25	was unaware of any other bills, except voter ID, that
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1	business. You follow the regular order of business.	1	have been accepted under Rule 5.11D. Are you surprised
2	Q. Okay.	2	by her testimony?
3	<ul> <li>A. Everything is a majority vote.</li> </ul>	3	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, assumes facts not
4	<ul> <li>Q. But to, ordinarily, to get a bill to be brought</li> </ul>	4	in evidence. You can go ahead and answer.
5	out of the calendar and onto the Floor for consideration	5	A. Am I surprised by her answer?
6	on the merits of the bill, you need to have a two-thirds	6	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Correct. Yes.
7	vote	7	A. That's her recollection. I'm a member. She's
8	A. No	1 0	
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3	is the one defending this deposition. You may counsel	3	A. The purpose of the bill was as I just answered
4	him but not object on the record.	4	the prior question.
5	MR. FREDERICK: I thought I had to counsel	5	Q. Therefore, is your answer no?
6	him a little louder that time. I apologize.	6	A. The purpose of the bill is what I answered
7	MS. WESTFALL: He wasn't awake? He wasn't	7	previously.
8	listening to you? That's between the two of you.	В	MS. WESTFALL: If I don't get responses
9	MR. SWEETEN: Thanks for all this on the	9	from your witness, I'm going to move to compet responses
10	record. (Laughing.)	10	based on nonresponsive, Mr. Sweeney. You may want to
111	, , ,	11	step outside and have a counsel, have a conference with
12	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Were you concerned that Rule	12	
1	5.11D	13	him.
13	A. I believe Mr. Sweeten was talking to me and	ì	MR. SWEETEN: Okay. He's answered what he
14	counseling the witness, and the other lawyer heard the	14	thinks is the purpose of the bill is.
15	response, and I believe I don't believe he was	15	MS. WESTFALL: He hasn't answered my
16	asleep, for the record.	16	question.
17	Q. It's very good that you're defending his honor	17	MR. SWEETEN: I think he's attempting to
18	in this deposition.	18	do so, and he's tried to tell you what the purpose is.
19	Senator, did you have any concern that	19	That's what he's done.
20	Rule 5.11D would make Senate Bill 362 appear very	20	MS. WESTFALL: We can take it up. We can
21	partisan?	21	take it up.
22	MR. SWEETEN: Objection.	22.	MR. SWEETEN: Okay, Well, I'll tell you
23	A. Privilege.	23	what, we'll talk about it at a break, and
24	MR. SWEETEN: Privilege.	24	MS, WESTFALL: Okay.
25	Q. (by Ms. Westfall) Was there was 362 in any	25	MR. SWEETEN: How many more questions are
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1	A. Privilege.	1	were assigned directly to the Committee of the Whole?
2	MR. SWEETEN: Don't reveal privileged	2	A. I don't have that information.
3	information.	13	
4	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Was there any consideration	4	Q. Janice McCoy yesterday testified it was unusual
5		5	for a bill to go straight to the Committee of the
1	of modifications of any other Senate rules in 2009 in	1	Whole. Do you agree with that?
6	addition to Rule 5.11D associated with consideration of	6	MR. SWEETEN: Assumes facts not in
7	Senate Bill 362 or voter identification requirements	7	evidence. You can go ahead and answer to the extent
8	generally?	8	A. Unusual is not the correct word.
9	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, calls for	9	<ul> <li>Q. (By Ms. Westfall) What words would you use</li> </ul>
10	legislative privilege.	10	instead of unusual?
11	A. Privilege.	11	<ol> <li>It is, you know, they are referred to the</li> </ol>
12	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Was Senate Bill 362	12	Committee of the Whole when there's an interest in all
13	considered by any Senate committees?	13	senators hearing the activity on the bill.
14	MR. SWEETEN: I think that's a matter of	14	<ul> <li>Q. What was your role during consideration of the</li> </ul>
15	public record, so you can	15	Senate Bill 362 before the Committee of the Whole? What
16	<ul> <li>A. The Committee of the Whole is a Senate</li> </ul>	16	was your role? Were you presiding? Were you in the
17	committee.	17	chair? Were you managing? What's the correct verb?
18	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) When a bill comes from the	18	MR. SWEETEN: Hold on one second. To the
19	house, is it usually referred to a Senate committee	19	extent that that asks matters that are subjective to the
20	other than the Committee of the Whole?	20	legislative privilege, do not answer the question. To
21	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer about the	21	the extent that her question calls for information
22	general procedures.	22	that's a matter of public record, you can answer.
23	A. You have the option of doing either.	23	MS. WESTFALL: This was in the Committee
24	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And what – how does that	24	of the Whole. How much more public could it be?
25	break down in terms of percentage in your experience in	25	A. I was standing sitting at my desk
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1	the Senate? In other words, how many go to the	1	initially. I was recognized to lay out the bill, and I
2	Committee of the Whole, and how many go to a committee	2	stood and stood for 27 hours. I'm sorry. Not 27 hours
3	that's not the Committee of the Whole?	3	straight, but I I answered questions about the bill,
4	A. I don't have that percentage.	4	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
5	Q. You can't recall sitting here today?	5	and the hearing took 27 hours.
6		1	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Is it ordinarily the rule of
7	A. No. I don't have that percentage.	6	the bill author to be the one to answer questions about
	Q. Okay. How about in 2009 session, how many	7	the bill when it is considered by the Committee of the
8	bills came from the House, originated in the Senate, and	8	Whole?
9	went directly to the Committee of the Whole other than	9	A. The – generally, the author of the bill lays
10	362?	10	out the bill and as a courtesy to other members will
11	Well, you've asked an incorrect question.	11	answer their questions that they can answer. But if
12	Q. How many bills that were filed with the Senate	12	there's questions asked that someone better could answer
13	in 2009 went were assigned directly to the Committee	13	it, they say if you will hold that question until the
14	of the Whole that you're aware of?	14	expert witness comes, they will answer your question.
15	A. I don't remember.	15	<ul> <li>Q. So you answered questions for 27 hours; is that</li> </ul>
16	<ul> <li>Q. How many were assigned to other committees in</li> </ul>	16	correct?
17	2009?	17	<ul> <li>A. I didn't answer questions for 27 hours, but I</li> </ul>
18	<ul> <li>A. I don't have access to that information,</li> </ul>	18	was the bill was before the committee, and I had to
19	because not every bill is referred.	19	be in the neighborhood.
20	Q. How many bills were filed in 2009 in the	20	Q. Why did you why was the decision to consider
21	Senate?	21	the bill for 27 hours?
22	<ol> <li>I don't know the answer to that.</li> </ol>	22	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, calls for
22	Q. Do you have a ballpark figure?	23	legislative privilege.
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24	Several thousand.	24	A. Privilege.



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## 197 199 1 considering Senate Bill 362? public record, you can discuss the vote record. 1 2 MR. SWEETEN: Same objection, privilege. 2 A. Questions were asked and concerns were raised. 3 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) In your -- I believe you 3 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And did legislators raise 4 testified earlier that to prepare for this deposition concerns on that tonic --5 you reviewed the transcripts from 2009 and 2011 MR. SWEETEN: You're asking in hearings? 6 regarding voter ID; is that right? 6 MS. WESTFALL: Yes. I'm confining my 7 A. Uh-huh. Yes 7 questions to the public hearing. 8 Q. Do you remember that you, in 2009, in the 8 A. Yes 9 Committee of the Whole, made numerous references to the 9 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Who were those legislators? 10 purpose of the bill relating to voter fraud; is that 10 A. I can't give you specific names, but they were 11 right? 11 people that were opposed to the bill. 12 A. No. 1 do not agree with that, and if you'd 12 Q. Was there public testimony, members of the 13 like to reference something, I'd be glad to. 13 public came during the committee consideration of SB 14 Q. Okay. We will do that in one moment. Do you 14 3627 15 remember also during 2009 hearing, that you mentioned 15 16 that Indiana's voter ID law had withstood legal 16 Q. And did some members of the public express 17 challenge and had been upheld by the Supreme Court; is 17 concerns about the impact of the bill on minority 18 that correct? 18 voters? 19 MR. SWEETEN: She's asking you matters of 19 A. Yes 20 public record. You can answer as to that, 20 Q. And on the Floor during the committee 21 21 consideration, what was your response to these concerns? 22 22 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And do you recall that you MR. SWEETEN: Confine your answer to the 23 were pointing to the Indiana voter ID law as support for 23 matters of the public record. 24 Senate Bill 362; is that correct? 24 A. I would have to have more of a specific 25 25 A. I was supporting a fact that the Indiana law question from a specific member, and they would have to 198 200 1 had been approved by the US Supreme Court in a 6-3 vote. 1 reference the, you know, the records. I can't remember 2 Q. And do you also recall that on the Senate floor 2 that far back. 3 in the Committee of the Whole proceedings of 362, that 3 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you recall any changes you advocated for Senate Bill 362 based in part on the that were made to Senate Bill 362 in response to 4 5 5 fact that it offered alternatives of two nonphoto IDs; concerns from any of these concerns that you just 6 is that right? 6 testified about, about the bill's impact on minority 7 MR. SWEETEN: You can testify about 7 voters? 8 matters of the public record. 8 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative 9 A. Advocate is not correct. I explained that the 9 privilege. 10 bill, as filed, had those parameters. 10 A. Privilege. 11 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And also on the Senate floor 11 MS. WESTFALL: To the extent that the 12 during consideration of Senate Bill 362, did you mention 12 changes were in iterations of the bill, are you still 13 that 1.5 percent of registered voters appeared not to 13 maintaining that objection? 14 14 have driver's licenses and that you perceived this as a MR. SWEETEN: Yes. That is a matter of 15 15 small segment of the voting registered voters; is that legislative privilege. You just asked ask him what 16 correct? 16 changes were made in response to statements made by 17 A. I referenced data that had been released, I 17 other legislators, so you don't have to answer that. 18 18 believe, through the Baker-Carter court that referenced MS. WESTFALL: Let me put it this way. 19 in the states that had passed packed the bill, that 98.5 19 I'm going to keep my question for purposes of subsequent 20 percent of people in those states had a driver's 20 motions to compel. But after these concerns were raised 21 license. 21 on the -- in the Committee of the Whole in 2009, were 22 22



on minority voters?

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Q. During the Floor debate on the Senate Bill 362,

MR. SWEETEN: Since this is a matter of

did anyone raise concerns about the impact of the bill

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MR. SWEETEN: Same objection. Think that

Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you recall that there was

any changes made to 362?

calls for his mental impressions process.

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### 201 203 a letter signed by all of the racial or ethnic minority 1 1 Q. I see. Looking at the letter today, in your 2 members of the Senate expressing opposition to Senate 2 deposition, does it refresh your recollection as to when Bill 362? 3 3 you first saw this? 4 A. I don't remember. 4 A. It refreshes my -- my recollection that 5 Q. You don't. Okay. I hand you what's been 5 something was submitted, but it doesn't, no. 6 previously marked as Exhibit 33. 6 Q. Could you indicate to me your interpretation of 7 A. It's a lot of paper. 7 what this statement says? 8 MR. SWEETEN: Yes. And if you need any of 8 A. Privilege. 9 these to refer to, let me know, and I'll get them back 9 MR. SWEETEN: Legislative privilege. 10 10 MS. WESTFALL: This is a matter of public Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Have you had a chance to 11 11 record 12 look at Exhibit 33? 12 MR. SWEETEN: You're asking him to 13 A. Yes. What are you referencing? 13 interpret for you. He can refer to matters of the 14 Q. Could you first off tell me what you're looking 14 public record, but you're asking him matters that relate 15 at? Could you identify it? 15 to his thoughts, mental impressions or opinions about 16 A. It's Senate Journal for the 23rd day of the 16 legislation or in furtherance of legislation, in this 17 session, Wednesday, March 18. 17 case, Senate Bill 362. 18 Q. And does this - is this journal pertaining to 18 A. Yeah, 362, 19 the Committee of the Whole consideration of Senate Bill 19 MR. SWEETEN: Yes. 20 3627 20 MS. WESTFALL: So therefore --21 A. This is the journal of the regular session. 21 MR. SWEETEN: You can answer to the extent 22 Q. Okay. You mean the Floor consideration of the 22 you can -- if you want to discuss matters of public 23 bill? What do you mean by "regular session"? 23 record, but otherwise --24 A. We go into session every day, and we're gabled 24 A. I recognize that a statement was submitted. 25 into regular session. And then if - you know, you have 25 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) What does the statement say? 202 1 different sections of the session. This is the journal 1 A. Would you like for me to read the statement to 2 you? of the regular session. You will see the part about 2 3 81st legislature regular session, and this was the 3 Q. I would not. I'll represent to you, this is a 4 letter from senators noting that all ethnic and racial proceedings on the regular session on the 23rd day. 4 5 Q. I see. Thank you for your testimony on that 5 minorities voted against Senate Bill 362 and have 6 point 6 consistently opposed the voter ID bills. Am I 7 So this was not the Committee of the 7 misrepresenting the statement? 8 Whole, in other words? В A. You're representing that these people - the 9 9 answer is no, your -- your statement is incorrect. 10 Q. Thank you. 10 Q. How is it incorrect? 11 Directing your attention to Page 591 of 11 A. Can you restate the statement -- you know, the 12 the Senate Journal of the Exhibit 33, could you take a 12 question? It's incorrect. 13 look at that? 13 Q. Could you -- do you have anything further to 14 A. Yes. 14 say about why my -- why the summary that I just provided 15 Q. And do you see that in the middle of the page 15 you of this statement is incorrect, or is that the sum 16 there is a statement regarding votes cast on Senate Bill 16 total of your testimony on that point? Do you have 17 362 submitted by Senator West? 17 further testimony or no? 18 18 MR. SWEETEN: I think her question is how A. I see a statement submitted by Senator West. 19 Q. Do you recall seeing this statement before 19 was she incorrect? today? 20 20 THE WITNESS: You want me to answer that? 21 21 MR. SWEETEN: Well, to the extent it's a 22 Q. You never looked at it until this deposition 22 matter of the public record, you can say that. You 23 23 today: is that right? can't reveal thoughts and impressions. 24 A. That wasn't what I said. I said I don't 24 A. These people are not -- they're not minorities. recall. 25 MR. SWEETEN: Okay.



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### 207 205 1 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Okay. Do you have any A. Privilege. further corrections to my summary of the statement? Or MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege. is that -- is that your testimony? 3 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Was it true that some A. You asked me the question, if they were all the 4 legislators and members of the public stayed up all 5 -- you know, all these listed were racial minorities, 5 night during consideration of Senate Bill 362? 6 and they're not. 6 A. Yes. 7 Q. I believe what I said, and which is why I 7 Q. Why do you think there was such strong 8 originally asked you if you would like to summarize your 8 opposition to the bill? 9 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege. read of the letter so we could move things along, was 9 10 that the letter was from senators noting that all ethnic 10 A. Privilege. 11 and racial minorities had voted against this Senate Bill 11 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) During consideration of 362, 12 362 and have consistently opposed voter ID bills, not 12 did you indicate that you had done more research and 13 that the signatories were, but the fact that voter ID 13 reading on the bill than you've ever done on any other 14 bills have been consistently opposed by members of 14 legislation? 15 racial and ethnic minorities. That was the summary that 15 MR. SWEETEN: You're asking on the public 16 1 provided. Do you agree with that summary? 16 record? 17 A. In the Senate. 17 MS. WESTFALL: Correct. 18 Q. I'm talking about this statement, not the --18 MR. SWEETEN: You can answer. 19 whether you agree with the merits. I'm asking you 19 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you recall saying that? 20 whether you agree with my summary of the statement, 20 A. No, I do not recall it. 21 which is why we're at loggerheads. 21 Q. Okay. 22 A. I don't disagree that this was filed and it was 22 MS. WESTFALL: Could you mark this as 46? 23 23 (Exhibit 46 marked for identification.) their statement. 24 24 Q. Thank you. Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You've been handed --25 Why do you think these senators felt the 25 MS. WESTFALL: Patrick, we have one for 206 208 1 need to submit for the record this statement about 1 you. 2 racial and ethnic minorities voting against voter ID 2 MR. SWEETEN: Ah, that's great. 3 legislation? 3 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You've been handed what's 4 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative 4 been marked as Exhibit 46. Have you seen this before? privilege. 5 5 A. Looks awful small. This looks like a subset of 6 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you following the advice 6 the transcript. 7 7 of counsel? Q. Yes. I'll represent to you, and I'm sure your 8 A. Privilege. 8 counsel will not disagree, this is an excerpt of 9 Q. Did you place any significance on the unified 9 proceedings of the Committee of the Whole Senate on Tuesday, March 10, 2009. 10 opposition of all minority members of the Senate? And 10 11 by "minority," I mean racial and ethnic minorities. 11 I'm going to turn your attention to - I'm 12 MR. SWEETEN: Objection. 12 going to ask you to turn your attention to what's been 13 A. Privilege. 13 marked - there's various paginations on this exhibit, 14 MR. SWEETEN: It calls for matters covered 14 but 72 in the upper right-hand corner of the page of the 15 15 by the legislative privilege. transcript, it's Bates Number TX3939. Do you see that 16 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you believe that their 16 page? 17 concerns about the impact of the bill on minority voters 17 A. Yes. 18 were genuine? 18 Q. It's an exchange between you and Senator 19 A. Privilege. 19 Watson. 20 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, calls for matters 20 A Yes 21 that are subject to the legislative privilege. 21 Q. And do you see that you reference 12 percent of 22 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you believe that senators 22 persons in other states without proper photo ID? 23 who are opposing the bill and had concerns about the 23 Show me where I reference that.

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impact of the bill on minority voters were acting in

good faith in raising those concerns?

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Q. Actually, you know what, let's look at the

beginning of this exchange on Page 70. That's the

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ì	beginning of your statement, Senator Fraser, on Page 70,	1	MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to object. Don't
2	where you talk about records of numbers of people in the	2	reveal thoughts, mental impressions, opinions about
3	voter registration records who do not have appropriate	3	legislation or in furtherance of the legislative
4	ID, and you indicate that it's around 800,000 or 12	4	process. If you want to, you can reference matters of
5	percent. Do you see that?	5	the public record in answer to that question, but don't
6	A. No.	6	reveal the other based on the legislative privilege
7	MR. SWEETEN: I caution the witness to	7	objection.
8	make sure that you're taking the time you need to read.	8	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any
9	A. I do not see that. Show me.	9	conversations, are you aware of any communications with
10	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) I'm sorry. Page 70, 71 and	10	the Secretary of State during consideration of Senate
11	72. You discuss the numbers.	11	Bill 362, concerning the number of registered voters
12	What is your question?	12	without a driver's license or Social Security number?
13	Q. So here you're discussing the numbers of people	13	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, compound.
14	who appear not to have a photo ID, and you're discussing	14	Objection, I think you're seeking the substance of
15	that with Senator Watson; is that correct?	15	conversations. If you want to ask about whether he's
16	A. Yes.	16	had conversations with the Secretary of State, I think
17	Q. And you indicate the number roughly 809,000	17	that would be fine. Under the court's order, I think a
18	people; is that correct?	18	general subject matter description would also be fine.
19	A. What about the 809?	19	But I think the way it's asked, it's compound, multiple;
20	I'm just asking whether the record reflects	20	it also has the substance of the conversation in it. We
21	that you refer to about 809,000 people who did not have	21	object.
22	photo ID in your exchange with Senator Watson.	22	MS. WESTFALL: Specifically, you're not
23	A. No.	23	instructing the witness not to answer because it's a
24	Q. What was it?	24	compound question; is that right?
25	A. I didn't say that.	25	MR. SWEETEN: I think my objection has
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1	Q. You - oh, you said no, you don't see it?	1	been clear, but let me just say that I think I will let
2	A. I said I did not say that.	2	him answer questions about whether he's had
3	Q. Tell me what you said.	3	conversations with the Secretary of State. I'll let him
4	A. You want me to read you the transcript?	4	answer about the date, time and a general subject matter
5	<ul> <li>Q. Certainly. Tell me what you're talking about</li> </ul>	5	description as provided in the court's order.
6	so we can be on the same page for the questions. What	6	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Senator Fraser, are you
7	did you say?	7	aware of any conversations during or before the
8	<ul> <li>A. The ones that neither number show up, either a</li> </ul>	8	Committee of the Whole consideration of Senate Bill 362
9	Social Security number or voter ID, 809,000. That -	9	with the Secretary of State's Office?
10	Q. Okay.	10	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer.
11	A. There's 5 million that gave their driver's	11	A. No.
12	license. The others did not use their driver's license.	12	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you try to do any
13	Q. Correct. So these are these are voter	13	analysis of the racial composition or ethnic composition
14	applicants who did not indicate a Social Security number	14	of persons, these 809-approximately-thousand people who
15	or driver's license?	15	did not register to vote with either a Social Security
16	A. They didn't use their driver's license.	16	number or driver's license number?
17	Q. When they — when they registered to vote; is	17	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative
18	that correct?	18	privilege.
19	A. Yes. Because there are other options.	19	A. Privilege.
20	Q. Thank you for clarifying your testimony.	20	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did Senator Watson raise
21	But you had an exchange with Senator	21	this as a concern as to the racial composition of these
22	Waters concerning this number of 200 000 according to the	22	000 000
22	Watson concerning this number of 800,000 people; is that	22	800,000 persons?
22 23 24	Watson concerning this number of 800,000 people; is that correct?  A. Yes.	22 23 24	800,000 persons?  MR. SWEETEN: Don't reveal private conversations, but you certainly can bring up matters of

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public record.



Q. How was that analysis conducted?

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213 215 1 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) I'll direct you to Page 72. analysis of the racial or ethnic composition of voters 1 2 at the bottom of the page, at Line 21. Did Senator 2 who did not have the forms of allowable ID under Senate 3 Watson ask about the racial composition of the 800,000 3 Bill 3622 persons? 4 MR. SWEETEN: I think you're -- I think A. I think my answer speaks for itself. 5 there's subject matter within that question is beyond a Q. And your answer was that you were not advised 6 general description of subject matter that he would have to provide under a privilege log. So I'm going to and you hadn't done that analysis? 7 8 A. I didn't say that, I said I don't remember if я object to the question. 9 the driver's license had that information, the racial Q, Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you think 800,000 is a 10 breakdown of the license. 10 small number? 11 Q. And in response to Senator Watson's questions 11 MR. SWEETEN: Don't reveal your thoughts, 12 to whether any statistical analysis had been done 12 mental impressions about the legislation. Objection, 13 regarding potential impact of SB 362 on African-13 legislative privilege. 14 Americans, which is on Page 73, your response was it had 14 A. Privilege. 15 been implemented in Indiana and Georgia; is that right? 15 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did these numbers concern 16 16 A. I made reference to the fact that we're going you at all? 17 to have someone from Indiana and Georgia, two states 17 MR. SWEETEN: Same objection. 18 18 that had implemented it, where they would give their A. Privilege. 19 testimony and they can give reaction to what happened in 19 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you agree that the key to 20 their states 20 effective implementation of Senate Bill 362 is adequate 21 21 Q. Was there any analysis on the racial poll worker training? 22 22 composition or ethnic composition of those 800,000 MR. SWEETEN: Same objection, legislative 23 voters that was conducted with regard to Texas voters? 23 privilege. 24 MR. SWEETEN: Do not reveal based upon --24 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you recall that in 2009, 25 objection, legislative privilege. Go ahead. 25 during the Committee of the Whole consideration of 214 216 1 A. Privilege. 1 Senate Bill 362, when you were asked about training for 2 2 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Is there any -- are there poll workers to determine whether an ID was proper, you 3 any conversations about analysis of the racial 3 deferred to the Secretary of State at that time on the composition or ethnic composition of those 800,000 4 5 voters, that you're aware of? MR. SWEETEN: You can answer to matters of 6 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege. 6 the public record. 7 A. Privilege. 7 A. Yes. I did refer, yes. 8 MS. WESTFALL: The existence of R Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Why didn't Senate Bill 362 9 conversations? 9 address more clearly and have more guidance for the 10 MR. SWEETEN: Were there conversations 10 Secretary of State concerning poll worker training? 11 11 MR. SWEETEN: Same objection, legislative about --12 12 MS. WESTFALL: -- the racial composition privilege. 13 or ethnic composition of the 800,000 voter registration 13 A. Privilege. 14 applicants referenced in this testimony. 14 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You're asserting the 15 MR. SWEETEN: Okay. That is way more than 15 privilege with regard to that question? 16 16 a general subject matter description that would be on a A. (Witness nods head yes.) 17 17 privilege log, and so I think that's beyond what we --Q. You agree that poll worker training is very 18 what I'll let him answer. I'll work with you, though, 18 important, isn't it, in implementing photo ID law? 19 if you want to talk about conversations, he will do 19 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege. 20 that. He'll identify the specifics of the conversation, 20 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) As a general policy matter, 21 even a general subject matter description, but that is 21 not with regard to legislation? 22 not a general subject matter description. 22 THE WITNESS: Isn't that privilege? 23 23 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you aware of any MR. SWEETEN: Well, she's now saying -- so

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analysis, conversation -- strike that.

Are you aware of any conversations of any

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logically divorcing this from any pending legislation, I

think is what you're doing. If there were any

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1	consideration of specific legislation, you're asking as	1	A. Yes, there were conversations.
2	a general matter, whether he thinks considerations of	2	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Was it with members of the
3	poll worker training are important; is that what you're	3	House or their staff?
4	saying?	4	A. Members of the House.
5	MS. WESTFALL: My question stands.	5	Q. And who are those members?
6	A. That's privileged information because I would	6	A. I can't give you specifics.
7	give my opinion about any legislation.	7	Q. Who was carrying the bill in the house?
8	MR. SWEETEN: Yeah, I think that's	8	A. Todd Smith.
9	we're going to object to privilege on that.	9	Q. Did you have conversations with Mr. Smith?
10	MS. WESTFALL: Your opinion just	10	A. Yes.
11	opinions about the necessity of poll worker training is	11	Q. Did you have more than one?
12	off limits?	12	A. Yes.
13	MR. SWEETEN: If you're asking him to	13	Q. Did you have conversations with his staff?
14	reveal thoughts, mental impressions or opinions about	14	A. No.
15	legislation or in furtherance of the legislative process	15	Q. Just the two of you?
16	in doing that, then that is subject to the well-	16	A. Yes.
17	recognized legislative privilege.	17	Q. How many conversations?
18	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) I believe you testified	18	A. More than five.
19	earlier that the purpose of 362 was to ensure integrity	19	Q. When did 362 pass in the Senate approximately?
20	of the ballot box; is that right?	20	A. January the 20th - I'm sorry, I don't know.
21	A. Yes.	21	Q. 362, was that March?
22	Q. Isn't that connected and furthered by how	22	A. 362?
23	effectively a poll worker can verify a voter's	23	Q. Yes.
24	identity?	24	A. Oh, I don't know. I'm sorry. I don't know.
25	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, that's	25	Q. Do you know when you had these conversations
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1	legislative privilege.	1	with Representative Smith about 362?
2	A. Privilege.	2	A. After the bill was sent to the House.
3	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Why didn't you include a	3	Q. What was the general nature of the
4	provision on poll worker training in Senate Bill 362?	4	conversations with Mr. Smith?
5	MR. SWEETEN: Same objection, privilege.	5	MR. SWEETEN: You can provide a very
6	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Why did you leave it to the	6	general subject matter description.
7	Secretary of State?	7	A. Status of the bill.
8	MR. SWEETEN: Same objection, privilege.	8	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any
9	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) So did 362 pass in the	9	conversations with any other members of the House about
10	Senate?	10	362?
11	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer.	11	MR. SWEETEN: You can reveal
12	A. Yes.	12	the conversation whether a conversation occurred.
13	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And was it referred to the	13	A. Yes, there were other members.
14	House?	14	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Where you had individual
15	A. Yes.	15	one-on-one conversations with other members about 362?
16	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer.	16	MR. SWEETEN: Of the House.
17	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any role in	17	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Of the House?
18	furthering the advancement of Senate Bill 362 once it	18	A. Yes.
19	was referred to the House?	19	Q. Who were those members?
20	A. No.	20	<ul> <li>A. I can't tell you specifically who they were.</li> </ul>
21	Q. Did you talk to any members of the House about	21	Q. What happened to Senate Bill 362 in the House?
22	362 after passage in the Senate?	22	A. It was never voted out.
23	MR. SWEETEN: You can reveal	23	Q. Did it get assigned to a committee?
24	conversations - I mean, don't reveal substance of them,	24	A. Yes.
25	but you can reveal whether conversations occurred.	25	Q. What was the committee?



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1	A. I don't know.	1	all documents concerning Senate Bill 14 as a result of
2	Q. Was it the House Elections Committee?	2	this litigation?
3	A. I'm - I don't know, I'm not a House member.	3	MR. SWEETEN: Don't reveal communications
4	Q. 'Was Mr. Smith the chair of the Elections	4	between you and your attorneys.
5	Committee in 2009?	5	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Let me rephrase. Let me
6	A. I believe he was.	6	rephrase.
7	Q. Have you spoken in any public settings,	7	Was there a time when you started
8	meetings, or groups about the subject of voter ID ever?	В	retaining documents related to Senate Bill 14?
9	A. Yes.	9	A. You're using the word "you," and the answer
10	Q. Besides the Floor of the Senate?	10	would be no.
11	A. Yes.	11	Q. Was there a time that your office took any
12	Q. When was the first time you talked about voter	12	steps, that you can identify sitting here today, to
13	ID in a public setting?	13	retain documents?
14	A. I don't remember. I don't remember exactly	14	A. Yes.
15	when it was.	15	Q. When did that occur?
16	Q. Can you remember any time you've spoken in	16	A. I don't know.
17	public about voter ID, not on the Senate Floor?	17	Q. Who would know?
18	A. One yes. The answer is yes.	18	A. When we were asked.
19	Q. Tell me when that was.	19	Q. I see. Would Ms. McCoy know?
20	A. In Brownwood recently.	20	A. Yes.
21	Q. What group were you addressing?	21	Q. Are you familiar with a federal law called the
22	A. Chamber of Commerce.	22	"Help America Vote Act"?
23	Q. What did you tell the Chamber of Commerce?	23	A. I'm assuming that's HAVA. Yes.
24	<ul> <li>A. That the Justice Department had failed to</li> </ul>	24	Q. What does HAVA do generally? Could you tell
25	preclear the bill.	25	me?
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1	Q. How long were your remarks about voter ID?	1	A. No.
2	A. Ten minutes.	2	Q. You testified earlier that you had introduced
3	Q. Was it in the answer to a question about the	3	Senate Bill 363 in 2009. Remember we talked about that
4	status of the bill?	4	earlier today?
5	A. No.	5	A. Yes.
6	<ul> <li>Q. Or were you there with prepared remarks about</li> </ul>	6	<ul> <li>Q. And that would require documentary proof of</li> </ul>
7	voter ID?	7	citizenship upon registration of voting; is that
8	A. I was prepared it was prepared remarks about	8	correct?
9	the status of the, you know, things in the state.	9	MR. SWEETEN: You can refer to matters of
10	Q. Who prepared those remarks?	10	the public record.
11	A. I did.	11	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) This is within your bill,
12	Q. Where are those remarks retained?	12	I'm summarizing it.
13	A. I need to back up. My staff always give me	13	A. We discussed whatever we read on the bill.
14	guidelines of things that I've either talked about or I	14	Q. Yes.
15	generally talk about in an outline or a sketch form.	15	A. Yes.
16	never use that. I always wing it.	16	Q. Does HAVA implement identification requirements
17	Q. So did Ms. McCoy prepare remarks for you?	17	for certain voter registration applicants
18	A. Yes.	18	A. Sorry.
19	Q. Did you retain those remarks?  A. Retain the remarks?	19	Q to your knowledge?
20 21		20 21	A. I don't know.
1	Q. Did you keep a copy	22	Q. Do you know what ethnic group makes up the largest the percentage of the noncitizen population in
122		144	rangest the percentage of the noticitizen population in
22	A. No.	1	the state of Teyas?
23	Q of the hard copy of the remarks?	23	the state of Texas?
I .		1	the state of Texas?  A. I'm sorry. I you know. Is that MR. SWEETEN: She's just asking you



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1	whether you know a fact or whether you know. So you can	1	privilege.
2	answer just as to	2	MS. WESTFALL: Did you I mean, for the
3	A. No, I do not know.	3	record, I think what you're instructing him not to
4	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Is it Hispanics?	4	answer falls outside any conceivably assertible
5	MR. SWEETEN: Objection.	5	•
6	A. I just said I didn't know.	6	privilege. I want to just make that known for the
7	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) I'm trying to refresh your	7	record. We'll brief that later.
8	recollection.	8	MR. SWEETEN: Okay. Why don't you go
9	Was there a time that you introduced a	9	ahead and read the question back, and I will consider it
10	voter ID bill in the 2011 session? I guess it would be	10	again. If you think I'm way off base, let's hear it
11	the 82nd session.	11	again.  MS. WESTFALL: You've made the same
12	A. Yes.	12	
13	Q. And was that bill called Senate Bill 14?	13	objection earlier today, but my question was whether the
14	A. Yes.	14	Senator promised anyone to file Senate Bill 14.
		1	MR. SWEETEN: Okay. That is a matter
15 16	Q. Did anyone ask you to introduce this bill?  MR. SWEETEN: Objection, requires him to	15 16	you're asking about a specific communication whether
17	reveal matters of legislative privilege, so don't	17	he's promised someone regarding Senate Bill 14. I think
18	answer.	18	that is privileged.
19		l .	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you promise Mr. Skipper
20	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) When did you decide to introduce Senate Bill 14?	19 20	Wallace that you would file Senate Bill 14?
21		21	MR. SWEETEN: Objection. I think this has
22	A. As soon as 362 didn't pass.	22	been asked and answered, questions about Skipper
23	Q. So that was 2009 sometime, you started working on it right away?	23	Wallace. If you want to ask him –
24	A. May 31st, 2009.	24	MS. WESTFALL: It's Skipper Wallace but
25	Q. But when did you file Senate Bill 14?	25	we're in a new year.
23	Q. Dut when did you like Sellate Bill 14?	23	MR. SWEETEN: And I've heard that name a
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1	A. By law, you cannot file you can file one	1	lot today, Counsel. What I want to say is, I - he can-
2	A. By law, you cannot file you can file one month before. So in the one month filing period, I	2	lot today, Counsel. What I want to say is, I – he can- reveal whether or not there's a communication that
2	A. By law, you cannot file you can file one month before. So in the one month filing period, I filed it prior to session start.	2 3	lot today, Counsel. What I want to say is, I – he can- reveal whether or not there's a communication that existed. He's not going to reveal the substance of the
2 3 4	A. By law, you cannot file you can file one month before. So in the one month filing period, I filed it prior to session start.     Q. Did you start did you start drafting it	2 3 4	lot today, Counsel. What I want to say is, I – he can- reveal whether or not there's a communication that existed. He's not going to reveal the substance of the communication. So you're free to ask him that.
2 3 4 5	A. By law, you cannot file — you can file one month before. So in the one month filing period, I filed it prior to session start.     Q. Did you start — did you start drafting it immediately following the defeat of Senate Bill 362?	2 3 4 5	lot today, Counsel. What I want to say is, I – he can- reveal whether or not there's a communication that existed. He's not going to reveal the substance of the communication. So you're free to ask him that. Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any
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2 3 4 5 6 7	A. By law, you cannot file – you can file one month before. So in the one month filing period, I filed it prior to session start.  Q. Did you start – did you start drafting it immediately following the defeat of Senate Bill 362?  A. No.  Q. When did you start drafting or working on	2 3 4 5 6 7	lot today, Counsel. What I want to say is, I – he can- reveal whether or not there's a communication that existed. He's not going to reveal the substance of the communication. So you're free to ask him that. Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any conversations with anyone – strike that. Was Senate Bill 14 given a designation by
2 3 4 5 6 7 8	A. By law, you cannot file – you can file one month before. So in the one month filing period, I filed it prior to session start.  Q. Did you start – did you start drafting it immediately following the defeat of Senate Bill 362?  A. No.  Q. When did you start drafting or working on concepts for the bill?	2 3 4 5 6 7 8	lot today, Counsel. What I want to say is, I – he can- reveal whether or not there's a communication that existed. He's not going to reveal the substance of the communication. So you're free to ask him that. Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any conversations with anyone – strike that. Was Senate Bill 14 given a designation by the Governor or in his office – Governor – let me
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229 231 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Were there any conversations 1 1 2 Q. What is the purpose of designation by the 2 about the designation of Senate Bill 14 as emergency 3 Governor of emergency legislation? 3 legislation, that you're aware of? 4 A. You would have to ask the Governor that. 4 MR. SWEETEN: The question -5 Q. I'm asking as a general -- I'm asking as a 5 A. No. 6 general matter, when -- strike that. 6 MR. SWEETEN: -- is were there any 7 7 As a result of the designation of SB 14 as conversations? 8 emergency legislation, was it considered within the 8 A. No. 9 first 60 days of the Senate session in 2011? 9 MR. SWEETEN: Okay. You answered it. 10 10 A. She asked me two questions. Okay. 11 11 Q. Well, you know what --Q. (By Ms. Westfall) There were no conversations 12 MR. SWEETEN: Hold on. 12 you're aware of? 13 Q. -- I'm asking the questions. If you don't like 13 14 the questions and you need clarification, you can ask 14 Q. Did you request this designation of the Governor's Office? 15 me, as I instructed you at the beginning of this 15 16 deposition. 16 A. No. 17 MR. SWEETEN: Okay. Okay. Let's - let 17 Q. When did you first learn that Senate Bill 14 18 me -- I want to hear the question read back, please. 18 had been designated as emergency legislation? 19 (Question read back.) 19 MR. SWEETEN: You can answer. 20 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative 20 A. Read about it in the paper. 21 privilege. 21 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you know why Senate Bill 22 MS. WESTFALL: Can you further explain 22 14 had to be considered within the first 60 days of the 23 your assertion of privilege? This is a procedural 23 legislature in 2011? 24 matter and a timing matter and a matter of public 24 A. Privilege. 25 record. 25 MR. SWEETEN: Yeah, objection, privilege. 230 232 1 MR. SWEETEN: He can answer - the 1 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you aware of any 2 2 conversations regarding the timing of consideration of legislative privilege objection relates to matters of 3 nonpublic record. He is free to answer based upon the 3 Senate Bill 14 in the Senate? 4 public record, if it is as you claim it is. So he can 4 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, that requires him 5 answer if there are matters of the public record that 5 to reveal his mental impressions, opinions about the addresses this, but -- I mean, I'm asserting privilege 6 6 legislation. 7 as to matters not of the public record. 7 8 8 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Can you answer the question? MR. SWEETEN: It's legislative privilege. 9 A. Privilege. 9 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you know what other bills 10 Q. When a governor designates legislation as 10 were designated emergency legislation by the Governor in 11 11 emergency legislation, is it always considered within 2011? 12 12 the first 60 days of the session? MR. SWEETEN: You can answer. 1.3 13 MR. SWEETEN: You can answer as a general A. He had multiple bills that he declared 14 matter. 14 emergency. 15 15 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you recall any of them 16 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Is it sometimes considered 16 sitting here today? 17 within the first 60 days of a session? 17 A. The sonogram bill. 18 A. Yes. 18 Q. Any others? 19 Q. And this designation is done by the Governor; 19 A. No. I'm sorry. I don't. 20 20 is that right? Q. Was there any urgency, in your mind, about 21 A. Yes. 21 getting this Senate Bill 14 passed quickly, promptly, 22 22 Q. How did Senate Bill 14 come to receive this and expeditiously, in 2011? 23 emergency designation? 23 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, it requires him 24 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, calls 24 to reveal thoughts, mental impressions, opinions about 25 for legislative privilege. Also calls for speculation. legislation. It's legislatively privileged.



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3	immediate elections that were going to be held for which	3	by which Senate Bill 14 was developed?
4	there was a need for the legislation?	4	A. Privilege.
5	MR. SWEETEN: Same objection. If you want	5	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative
6	to ask if there were elections, you know, that's	6	privilege.
7	different.	7	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) When was Senate Bill 14
В	MS, WESTFALL: This was previously marked	8	when was it when did the development of Senate Bill
9	as 5. Here's a copy. We have many.	9	14 start?
10	(Discussion off the record.)	10	A. May 31st of 2009.
11	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You've been handed what's	11	Were you aware of any communications concerning
12	been previously marked as Exhibit 5. Senator, do you	12	the drafting of the bill?
13	recognize this document?	13	A. Say it again. Repeat.
14	A. I believe this is probably Senate Bill 14, I'm	14	
15	assuming as filed. The answer is: No, I do not	15	Q. Are you aware of any communications concerning
16		16	the drafting of the bill?
1	recognize it, because I'd have to go through it and	1	MR. SWEETEN: I think that's been asked
17	verify if this is the bill as filed or the engrossed	17	and answered. Also, I think objection, vague, as far as
18	voted version that was	18	considerations of drafting the bill. Or did you say
19	Q. Sir, if I could refer you to Page 17 of the	19	conversations drafting the bill?
20	exhibit, maybe that will clarify for you what version of	20	MS. WESTFALL: Conversations.
21	the bill it is.	21	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You may answer.
22	A. This is the version that was signed by the	22	A. Were there conversations?
23	Governor.	23	Q. Yes.
24	Q. Thank you. Is this a copy of the legislation	24	A. Yes.
25	as signed by the Governor that you introduced in 2011	25	Q. And was it I believe you testified you had a
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1	related to voter ID?	1	conversation with Mr. Wallace. Were there other
2	A. Yes. Appears to be.	1 .	
		2	conversations you were aware of concerning the drafting
3	Q. And turning your attention to Page 9, Section	3	conversations you were aware of concerning the drafting of Senate Bill 14?
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1	developing Senate Bill 14?	1	Q. Where was that meeting?
2	MR. SWEETEN: Do not reveal your thoughts,	2	A. I don't recall.
3	mental impressions, opinions about legislation, or	3	Q. Could you describe the general nature of that
4	matters of furtherance of the legislative process.	4	meeting?
5	Objection, legislative privilege.	5	A. The senate presidents get together to discuss
6	A. Privilege.	6	state issues.
7	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you look to other	7	Q. And was there at that meeting a general
8	states' photo ID in drafting Senate Bill 14?	8	discussion of interest amongst many states in enacting
9	A. Privilege.	9	photo ID laws?
10	MR. SWEETEN: Same objection.	10	A. Status of legislation involving voter ID in
11	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you look to any models	11	Texas, specific questions.
12	from any interest groups in developing Senate Bill 14?	12	Q. Was there oh, it was a meeting held on that
13	MR. SWEETEN: Same objection.	13	topic solo?
14	A. Privilege.	14	A. No.
15	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any	15	Q. I'm sorry. Could you verify your testimony?
16	communications about Senate Bill 14 with other current	16	A. There was a question asked about the status of
17	or former legislators who had offered past photo ID	17	legislation.
18	bills?	18	Q. And this convening of presidents of state
19	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer as to whether	19	senates, is there an umbrella organization that
20	a conversation occurred.	20	organized that meeting?
21	A. No I'm sorry, ask that question again.	21	A. Called the Senate Presidents Forum.
22	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have any	22	Q. I see. And did at that forum, were there
23	communications about Senate Bill 14 with other current	23	discussed other bills pending in other states concerning
24	or former legislators who had offered past photo ID	24	photo ID?
25	bills?	25	A. No.
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1	A. Define "legislators".	1	Q. After that meeting, did you make any changes in
2	Q. People who sit in the legislature past or	2	the draft of Senate Bill 14?
3	current.	3	A. Privilege.
4	A. Texas legislators?	4	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative
5	Q. Correct.	5	privilege.
6	A. No.	6	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have communications
7	Q. How about outside of Texas?	7	with legislators in Georgia about photo ID as you were
8	A. Yes.	8	drafting Senate Bill 14 or developing it?
9	Q. And could you identify that person or persons?	9	A. Yes.
10	A. President of the Senate of Illinois - I mean,	10	Q. What officials in Georgia?
11	Indiana. The president of the Senate in	11	A. I'm sorry, I need to backtrack on that. You're
12	Georgia. President of the Senate in Illinois.	12	asking in the drafting of the bill?
13	Q. Illinois?	13	Q. Yes.
14	A. Actually, the list is probably 40 of the 50	14 -	· A. No.
15	state senate presidents.	15	Q. In the development of the concepts for Senate
16	<ul> <li>Q. Was there a conference call, or did you have</li> </ul>	16	Bill 14, which I believe you just testified started
17	individual conversations with these folks?	17	around May 31st, 2009?
18	<ol> <li>I meet four times a year with the senate</li> </ol>	18	A. Privilege.
19	presidents.	19	MR. SWEETEN: You can identify if you have
20	Q. I see. So there was a meeting with senate	20	conversations from May 2009
21	presidents. When was that meeting?	21	MS. WESTFALL: 31st, 2009.
22	<ol> <li>We meet four times a year every year.</li> </ol>	22	MR. SWEETEN: May 31st, 2009, until the
23	Q. When was the meeting that you referred to	23	bill was
24	concerning your development of Senate Bill 14?	24	A. With
25	A. I don't recall.	25	MR. SWEETEN: With anyone from Georgia,



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1	you can testify about that.	1	Q. Correct. That's what I'm referring to when I
3	A. No.	2	said you testified.
	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you have communications	3	Have you reviewed the photo ID laws in
4	with any officials or legislators in Indiana concerning	4	both Indiana and Georgia?
5	about their photo ID law after May 31st, 2009?	5	A. Yes.
6	A. Yes.	6	MR. SWEETEN: Don't reveal your thoughts
7	Q. When did you have that conversation?	7	or mental impressions or opinions about legislation or
8	A. Four times a year.	8	matters in furtherance of the legislative process when
9	Q. Are you referring to the same convening of the	9	you're answering these questions here.
10	senate presidents?	10	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you know whether under
11	A. Yes.	11	Senate Bill 14 there are fewer forms of allowable ID
12	Q. Were there was there any agenda for that	12	than under Georgia photo ID law?
13	meeting that was circulated?	13	A. I don't know that.
14	Every meeting has an agenda.	14	Q. Do you know whether there are fewer forms of
15	Q. Was there an agenda for the meeting you just	15	allowable ID in Senate Bill 14 than in the Indiana voter
16	testified about at which you answered the question about	16	ID law?
17	the status of Texas photo ID?	17	Don't know that.
18	A. Yes.	18	Q. Have you reviewed I know you testified
19	Q. Who has that agenda?	19	earlier that you're not an attorney, but have you
20	A. Senate Presidents Forum.	20	reviewed those laws or a summary of those laws?
21	Q. Where is that headquartered?	21	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, that's been asked
22	A. Washington, D.C.	22	and answered. It's legislative privilege. It goes to
23	Q. Who's the staff person who you usually deal	23	his process, thoughts, mental impressions, opinions
24	with at the forum?	24	about legislature or furtherance of legislation.
25	A. That I I don't deal with anyone.	25	But you are free to refer to matters of
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1	Q. Is there any administrative person who	1	the public record.
2	maintains records and organizes the meetings for the	2	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you have any answer
3	forum?	3	A. Privilege.
4	A. Yes.	4	Q. Thank you.
5	Q. And who is that person?	5	Have you had any did you have any
1 ~	A. I don't have that name.	1	have you had any old you have any
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3	Q. Did you have any communications about Senate	3	of counsel on that?
4	Bill 14 with any member of the Lieutenant Governor's	4	
5	Office or the Lieutenant Governor?	-	A. Why don't you ask that again?
6		5	Q. Sure. Did you consider including any
7	MR. SWEETEN: I think that's been asked	6	additional forms of ID in Senate Bill 14?
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8	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You may answer. You may	8	A. Privilege,
9	answer.	9	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) In was this the least
10	MR. SWEETEN: I'll instruct him as to	10	restrictive set of forms of ID that you could include in
11	whether or not he can answer. I said, "You can answer."	11	Senate Bill 14 that would achieve your objective?
12	<ol> <li>And give me the time frame.</li> </ol>	12	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege.
13	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) 2009 or 2010.	13	A. Privilege.
14	<ul> <li>A. I don't remember. Could I add that, if there</li> </ul>	14	<ul> <li>Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you consider allowing</li> </ul>
15	was a communication, it was advising them that I was	15	expired forms of ID as allowable ID?
16	filing the bill again? That would be the extent.	16	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege.
17	MR. SWEETEN: Okay.	17	You're asking about his mental impressions and
18	MS. WESTFALL: Thank you.	18	considerations.
19	MR. SWEETEN: And that's fine. Just don't	19	A. Privilege.
20	reveal the specifics of communications you've had. Her	20	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you consider allowing
21	question was: Was there a communication? So just limit	21	forms of ID that have expired two years prior to the
22	it to that, but that's general.	22	election rather than 60 days?
23	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you or your office or	23	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege.
24	Ms. McCoy exchange drafts of Senate Bill 14 with	24	A. Privilege.
25	anybody?	25	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) If a photo ID is expired but
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2	Q. Did Senate Bill 14 change during the drafting	2	same person on the ID?
3	profess before it was filed?	3	A. Privilege.
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5	MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to object based on	5	about his considerations of the Senate Bill 14. That
6	legislative privilege. I think we're getting into the	6	would be legislatively privileged.
7	thoughts, mental processes, impressions in furtherance	7	
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A. I've given my answer to the question.

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1	Q. You have no further testimony on that issue?	1	Q. What is a military ID?
2	A. I've given my answer to the question.	2	MR. SWEETEN: Asked and answered
3	Q. How often in Texas do you have to go appear to	3	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you know how many
4	get your picture retaken for a driver's license? Do you	4	MR. SWEETEN: objection.
5	know?	5	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you know how many
6	Ask the question again. How often	6	THE WITNESS: Did you
7	Q do you have to have your picture taken for	7	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) different forms of
8	your driver's license?	8	military ID
وا	A. I'm sorry, I don't know that.	9	MR. SWEETEN: Yes.
10	Q. Can you renew your driver's license by mail in	10	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) are accepted
11	Texas in certain circumstances?	11	(Reporter cautions everyone not to talk at
12	A. I don't believe so. I don't know the answer.	12	the same time.)
13	Q. How long are driver's licenses in Texas valid	13	MS. WESTFALL: Let's break.
14	for?	14	(Recess 4:29 to 4:46 p.m.)
15	A. I don't know the answer to that.	15	• • •
16	Q. Did you conduct any analysis as to how many	16	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Okay. Senator, do you know what a citizenship certificate is?
17	registered voters possess the required forms of ID under	17	A. No.
18	Senate Bill 14?	18	
1		1	Q. Is it a form of ID in Senate Bill 14?
19	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative	19	A. Yes.
20	privilege.	20	Q. Do you have any idea how much it costs to
21	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you conduct any analysis	21	obtain a citizenship certificate?
22	to determine if minority voters would be	22	A. No.
23	disproportionately less likely to possess the forms of	23	Q. Do you know how much it costs to obtain a U.S.
24	ID required by Senate Bill 14?	24	passport?
25	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative	25	A. No.
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1	privilege.	1	Q. Do you know what documents you would have to
2	A. Privilege.	2	provide to get a U.S. passport?
3	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And Janice McCoy yesterday	3	A. I believe a birth certificate.
4	testified that there were no studies at all with any	4	Q. And anything else besides a birth certificate?
5	analysis of who has an ID for purposes of Senate Bill	5	Not to my knowledge.
6	14, either public or private. Do you agree with that	6	<ul> <li>Q. Do you know how long it takes to obtain a</li> </ul>
7	testimony?	7	passport?
8	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, calls for matters	8	A. No.
9	that are legislatively privileged.	9	Q. Can you tell me what the purpose was of
10	A. Privilege.	10	well, strike that.
11	MS. WESTFALL: Ms. McCoy has testified	11	believe you testified earlier that
12	about this matter and waived the privilege. Are you	12	Senate Bill 362 allows for nonphoto ID; is that right?
13	going to let the witness testify on this?	13	Rephrase re-read the question, please.
14	MR. SWEETEN: He is asserting legislative	14	Q. I believe I that you testified earlier that
15	privilege as to any considerations, analysis related to	15	Senate Bill 362 allows for the use of nonphoto ID; is
16	the bill.	16	that right?
17	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you surprised Ms. McCoy	17	A. The the legislation, as filed, had that
18	had that testimony yesterday?	18	provision.
19	MR. SWEETEN: Objection. You're asking	19	Q. And Senate Bill 14 does not; is that right?
20	the same question in another form. It calls for matters	20	A. That is correct.
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22	he's surprised. Don't answer.	22	Senate Bill 14 the option for a voter to show nonphoto
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253 255 1 legislation, including Senate Bill 14. 1 improper for me to speculate what that is 2 A. Privilege. 2 Q. What are the standards governing how a poll 3 MS. WESTFALL: Are you instructing him not 3 worker administers the -- the photo ID requirement under 4 to answer? Senate Bill 14? 5 MR. SWEETEN: I'm instructing him not to 5 A. Those standards are set by the Secretary of 6 answer that specific question as to the differences 6 State. 7 between the two bills and the why's and wherefore's. He 7 Q. And would you agree that those standards are 8 can answer if you're going to ask him as to what is the 8 very important for the success and fulfillment of the 9 purpose of Senate Bill 14. I will allow him to answer 9 purpose of Senate Bill 14 you earlier testified about? 10 10 MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to object to the 11 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you aware of any 11 extent you're asking for him to reveal thoughts, mental 12 conversations regarding the non-inclusion of photo ID in 12 impressions, or opinions about legislation or 13 Senate Bill 14? 13 furtherance of the legislative process. 14 MR. SWEETEN: You're asking about the 14 A. Privilege. 1.5 substance of conversations, and so I think that that 15 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) There are no standards 16 would be -- that would be privileged. He can discuss 16 governing how the ID requirement is administered in 17 17 specifics of whether he had a conversation or general Senate Bill 14; isn't that right? 18 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege. Are subject matter, but I think that the way you're asking 18 19 it, I think you're asking for the specific subject 19 you asking about the text of the bill, Counsel? 20 matter. 20 MS. WESTFALL: I'm asking about the face 21 21 A. Privilege. of the statute. 22 22 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Who made the decision not to MR. SWEETEN: Okay, if you're asking about 23 include non-photo forms of ID in Senate Bill 14? 23 the face of the statute, he can answer the question. 24 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative 24 A. We gave that authority to set that to the 25 privilege. 25 Secretary of State. 254 256 1 A. Privilege. 1 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) So, in other words, it's not 2 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) What changed between 2009 and 2 - it's not in the face of the statute; is that correct? 3 2011 that made two forms the non-photo ID an acceptable 3 Would you agree with that? option in 2009 but not in 2011? 4 A. We - we did not set to micro-manage. We said 5 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative 5 to ask the Secretary of State to determine that. 6 6 Q. I want to answer. I know it's late in the day, 7 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) In response to a similar 7 but I want you to listen carefully to my question. Is question posed to Ms. McCov vesterday in her deposition. 8 there anything in Senate Bill 14 that -- that sets the 9 she testified that what happened between 2009 and 2011 9 standards for how poll workers are to administer the 10 was that things have worked out well in Indiana and 10 photo ID requirement in the this -- in this law? 11 Georgia. Do you agree with that statement? 11 A. No. 12 Q. Thank you. MR. SWEETEN: Don't reveal your thoughts, 12 13 mental impressions or opinions about legislation or 13 What was the purpose of removing, and not 14 between the difference in the 2009 and 2011. That is 14 including from Senate Bill 14, the option for a voter to 15 legislatively privileged. Do not answer. 15 show a state or federal issued photo ID, as you did 16 A. Privilege. 16 include in Senate Bill 362? 17 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) We talked about this earlier 17 MR. SWEETEN: You're asking him to compare 18 with regard to Senate Bill 362, but under Senate Bill 18 and contrast bills from 2009 and 2011 which would 19 14, who is responsible for verifying the identity of the 19 necessarily reveal his thoughts, mental impressions, and 20 voter? Who checks the ID of the voter in Senate Bill 20 opinions about legislation or furtherance of the 21 14? 21 legislative process and is therefore privileged. 22 A. When they're voting? 22 Objection.

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A. Privilege.



A. That is determined by the training that is done

by the Secretary of State, and I think it would be

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Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are there any circumstances

in election administration, problems with the election

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1	administration, et cetera, between 2009 and 2011, that	1	identification certificate?
2	caused to you make this change?	2	A. Not to my knowledge.
3	MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to object, you're	3	Q. Not on the Floor?
4	asking for his thoughts and mental impressions,	4	A. Again, I not to my recollection.
5	privilege.	5	Q. Did you conduct any analysis of the process for
6	A. Privilege.	6	obtaining election identification certificate?
7	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) How would allowing the use of	7	MR. SWEETEN: Do not reveal your thoughts,
8	state or federal issued photo ID prevent the goal in	8	mental impressions, or opinions or about legislation
9	Senate Bill 14 of ensuring election integrity?	9	or furtherance of the legislation process
10	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative	10	A. Privilege.
11	privilege.	11	MR. SWEETEN: legislative privilege.
12	A. Privilege.	12	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) What were the circumstances
13	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you aware that the	13	under which a license to carry a concealed handgun were
14	Indiana photo ID law allowed for the use of state issued	14	included in Senate Bill 14?
15	photo ID?	15	MR. SWEETEN: Do not answer, it's asking a
16	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, you're asking him	16	legislative privilege.
17	to reveal his thoughts, mental impressions, opinions	17	A. Privilege.
18	about legislation and furtherance of the process;	18	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you know the racial
19	therefore, it would be privilege.	19	composition of license to carry license holders?
20	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) What was the purpose of not	20	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, you're asking for
21	including in Senate Bill 14 the option for a voter to	21	matters covered by the legislative privilege.
22	show a valid employee ID as was included in the Senate	22	MS. WESTFALL: I'm asking him as a matter
23	Bill 362?	23	of general knowledge, not not related to a
24	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, you're asking him	24	legislative act.
25	to compare 2009 to 2011. He will answer the question of	25	MR. SWEETEN: Okay. So this is not in
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ı	what is the purpose of Senate Bill 14, but to ask him to	1	relation to his analysis or review of legislation.
2	compare and contrast provisions that were or were not in	2	You're asking him, now as he sits here, is he aware of
3	those two statutes is asking him to reveal the thoughts,	3	this - of this piece of information.
4	mental impressions, and opinions about the legislation.	4	You can answer that question.
5	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) is there a provision included	5	A. I'm not aware.
6	in Senate Bill 14 related to an election identification	6	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Is it – is the racial
7	certificate?	7	composition of license to carry license holders
8	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer.	8	disproportionately white relative to Texas registered
وا	A. Would you restate the question?	9	voters?
10	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Certainly. Is there a	10	A. I'm not I'm not aware of the percentage.
11	provision in Senate Bill 14 that would allow for the use	11	Q. Are you aware of any conversations about the
12	of an election identification certificate for persons	12	racial composition of licensed to carry holders?
13	who do not have allowable forms of ID under Senate Bill	13	A. No.
14	14?	14	Q. How did the exception for individuals with
15	A. SB 14 provides that an elections identification	15	disabilities come to be included in Senate Bill 14?
16	certificate may not be used or accepted as a personal	16	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative
17	identification certificate.	17	privilege.
18	Q. Did any legislators strike that.	18	A. Privilege.
19	Did you are you aware of any	19	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) How did the exception for
20	conversations with anyone about concerns about the	20	individuals with religious objections to being
21	ability to obtain an election identification	21	photographed come in come to be included in Senate
	certificate?	22	Bill 14?
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22 23	A. No.	23	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative
1		23 24	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative privilege. Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Why is it that some changes



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263 261 1 in response to some concerns were taken into account and 1 that correct, on the face of the statute? 2 others were not? 2 3 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative 3 Q. Likewise, turning to your attention to the 4 privilege 4 provisional ballot section of Senate Bill 14 which is on 5 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) The legislature made 5 Page 11 at Section 17 of the bill, do you see that? 6 modifications to Senate Bill 14 for persons with 6 There is a provision related to persons who have 7 disabilities, is that right, on the face of the bill? 7 religious objections to being photographed; isn't that 8 MR. SWEETEN: You can answer. В correct? 9 A Reread q A. On Page 11? 10 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) The legislation made 10 Q. On Page 12, sorry. It starts on Page 11. Do 11 modifications to Senate Bill 14 to accommodate the 11 you see that? 12 12 interests of persons with disabilities; isn't that A. Yes. 13 right? 13 Q. And -- and this provision indicates that if a 14 MR. SWEETEN: Well, now you threw in 14 person casts a provisional ballot and is eligible to 15 "accommodate people with disabilities." I think if you vote in the election but doesn't have ID because a 15 16 want to ask him a question about the text of the bill. 16 person -- and consequently casts a provisional ballot, 17 you can you ask him whether it's there or not, but not 17 that the ballot will be counted if the voter signs an 18 -- you're starting to get into thoughts, mental 18 affidavit indicating a religious objection to being 19 impressions, opinions with that question. 19 photographed, isn't that correct, on the face of the 20 MS. WESTFALL: Are you invoking privilege? 20 statute? 21 MR. SWEETEN: I don't think I objected to 21 MR, SWEETEN: You can answer. 22 the first question, but then the second, the way you 22 A. Yes. 23 23 worded it. I think you -Q. (By Ms. Westfall) And this is a helpful Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Why didn't you answer the 24 24 provision for people who have religious beliefs and 25 first question then, since your counsel is -25 objections to being photographed; isn't that right? 262 264 1 A. Would you repeat the first question? 1 THE WITNESS: She's asking my opinion? 2 Q. The legislature made modifications to Senate 2 MR. SWEETEN: Yeah. 3 Bill 14 for persons with disabilities, did they not? 3 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) On the face of the statute. 4 A. Would you reference the part of the bill that 4 A. The statute states very clearly what it -- it 5 5 does that? 6 6 Q. Certainly. Q. Did the legislature make any modifications to 7 7 MR. SWEETEN: Okay, You're saying "for Senate Bill 14 based on concerns pertaining to racial 8 individuals." If you're asking him does the text say 8 and ethnic minorities? 9 this, I'm fine with him answering that question, but if 9 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative 10 10 you're asking him why was it made, I think that's privilege. 11 objectionable, legislative privilege. 11 A. Privilege. 12 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) I refer you to Exhibit 5 at 12 Q. Could you -- strike that. 13 Section 1, Senator. 13 During the drafting or legislature's 14 MR. SWEETEN: This is 5. - yeah, that's 14 consideration of Senate Bill 14, was there any analysis 15 15 of the costs or steps that a voter would need to take to 16 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Where it indicates --16 obtain an election identification certificate? 17 A. 5, Section 1? 17 MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to object based 18 Q. Exhibit 5, Senate Bill 14, at - at Section 1 18 upon privilege. You're free to refer to matters of the 19 19 on Page 1. There is, is there not, an exemption for public record. 20 persons with disabilities that provide certain written 20 A. Privilege. 21 documentation from federal agencies; is that correct? 21 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you know - do you know 22 A. Yes. 22 what documents are needed under Senate Bill 14 on the 23 Q. And this is a provision, wouldn't you agree, 23 face of the statute to obtain an election identification 24 that is helpful for certain persons that have 24 certificate? Directing your attention to Section 20 on disabilities in having an exemption from the bill, isn't 25 Page 13.



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1	A. That they they must state that they're	1	A. Privilege.
2	the person must sign a certificate for the purpose of	2	MR. SWEETEN: That's that's now
3	satisfying Section 63.001(b) of the election code and	3	you're asking him, beyond what the purpose is, you're
4	does not have another form of identification.	4	asking him to reveal his thoughts, mental impressions or
5	Q. Is it - is it your recollection that, and	5	opinions and his subjective intent in that question. So
6	based on public record, based on the code, based on the	6	he's answered what the purpose is. I think that you're
7	regulations, that the Secretary of State was responsible	7	now going in to matters that are matters protected by
8	for identifying the documents needed to obtain an	8	the legislative privilege.
9	election identification certificate?	9	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) How would Senate Bill 14
10	A. It says the department may develop may	10	ensure integrity of the ballot box?
11	cooperate with Secretary of State in developing the form	11	MR. SWEETEN: Same objection.
12	and appearance of an election identification	12	Q. For the record, are you asserting privilege?
13	certificate.	13	A. Privilege.
14	Q. So you agree that it's a responsibility of the	14	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, privilege.
15	Secretary of State; is that what the statute says?	15	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Is there a need in Texas to
16	A. No. It says the department may cooperate with	16	take measures legislatively to ensure integrity at the
17	the Secretary of State in developing the form and	17	ballot box?
18	appearance of an election certificate.	18	MR. SWEETEN: Same objection.
19	Q. Okay. Thank you.	19	A. Privilege.
20	Do you know how much it costs to obtain	20	Q. Are there any facts, that you're aware of
21	the documents necessary to get an election	21	sitting here today, that that there's a lack of
22	identification certificate under Senate Bill 14 and	22	integrity at the ballot box in Texas?
23	associated regulations?	23	MR. SWEETEN: Same objection, calls for
24	A. No.	24	matters that are covered by the legislative privilege.
25	Q. And if the documents needed to get the election	25	A. Privilege.
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1	identification certificate are not themselves free, is	1	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Yesterday your chief of
2	there a cost associated with obtaining election	2	staff, when asked this question, testified that the
3	identification certificates?	3	purpose of Senate Bill 14 was both election integrity
4	A. I don't know.	4	and to prevent in-person voter fraud. Today, when I
5	Q. Where does one obtain an election	5	asked you the similar question, you did not mention
6	identification certificate?	6	in-person voter fraud. Is it your testimony that
7	A. I don't know.	7	preventing in-person voter fraud is not a purpose of
8	Q. And when are those offices open?	8	Senate Bill 14, as you sit here today?
9	A. I don't know.	9	MR. SWEETEN: This has been asked, this
10	Q. Does one obtain them at the driver's license	10	has been answered. He has he has answered the
11	office in Texas?	11	question, but and also objection, assumes facts not
12	MR. SWEETEN: Objection. He's indicated	12	in evidence. Nevertheless, if you want to go ahead and
13	that he doesn't know the answer, so asked and answered.	13	answer, you can.
14	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) What was the I know we've	14	A. Ask the question again.
15	you've testified about the purpose of previous voter	15	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Is the purpose of Senate Bill
16	ID bills that you've introduced, but what was the	16	14 also to prevent in-person voter fraud and
17	purpose, each and every purpose, of Senate Bill 14?	17	impersonation?
18	A. The purpose of Senate Bill 14 was to ensure the	18	<ul> <li>A. The purpose of the bill is to protect the</li> </ul>
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Q. (By Mr. Westfall) So is your answer no?

chance during the break to counsel your client about

answering the question? Otherwise, unless it is a

MS. WESTFALL: Mr. Sweeten, did you have

A. The purpose of the bill is to protect the



integrity of the ballot box.

Q. Anything else?

A. (Witness shakes head no.)

Q. What is the basis for your assertion that the

purpose was to ensure integrity of the ballot box?

A. No.

Q. Pardon?

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269 271 1 privileged question, that for which you are asserting 1 your questions suggests more than a general subject 2 privilege, instructing your client not to answer, your 2 matter of a communication. You're talking about very 3 client could be -- if we prevail in a motion to compel, 3 specific information in a conversation, which would could be brought back and asked the same question again. 4 require him to reveal legislative privilege. If you Did you do that sir? 5 want to ask it in another way, you know, that -- that 6 MR. SWEETEN: Well, I mean, number one. 6 adheres to the Court's Order, which is the nature or 7 I'm not going tell you what I told my client. So I'm 7 general subject matter of the communication. I won't 8 not going to reveal that. В have any objection. And all day - let me also say for 9 MS. WESTFALL: Okay, fair point. 9 the record, that all day I have allowed you to ask all 10 MR. SWEETEN: No. no. But nevertheless. 10 of this information about communications. I think would 11 if you can answer that question, just, I mean -- or we 11 you agree with that. And I -- and I -- so I will allow 12 12 can talk about for it second. But as to what is the you to do that, but I think the way you phrased that 13 13 purpose of the legislation, I think you've answered what question, it's too specific, it's too - it's too much 14 it is, but if you can just answer that second question. 14 into the substance of a potential conversation for him 15 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Is -- Ms. McCoy testified 15 to be able to answer that question. 16 yesterday that part of the purpose of Senate Bill 14 was 16 MS. WESTFALL: Okay. Well, as to my 17 to prevent in-person voter fraud. Is that -- are you --17 original question as to whether any part the purpose of 18 is preventing in-person voter fraud part of the purpose 18 Senate Bill 14 was to decrease the number of Hispanic 19 of Senate Bill 14, in your mind? 19 voters, this Order indicates that I'm allowed to examine 20 A. Yes. 20 witnesses as to the purpose, as the witness understands 21 Q. Is any part the purpose of Senate Bill 14, 21 it today, including public information and private 22 private or public, to decrease the number of Hispanic 22 information. So could you make sure that - or 23 voters? 23 information outside of the public record. So could --24 THE WITNESS: Answer that? 24 could you make sure that -- that your client is fully 25 MR. SWEETEN: You can answer what the 25 answering the question about whether -- and I'll pose it 270 272 1 purpose of the bill is. again, was there any part of the purpose of Senate Bill 1 2 A. No. 2 14 that was to decrease the number the Hispanic voters. 3 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you aware of any 3 MR. SWEETEN: Okay. You can -- you can conversations about the purpose of Senate Bill 14 being 4 answer that based upon, as she said, based on the public 5 to decrease the number of Hispanic voters? 5 - or public record or based upon your view of the 6 MR. SWEETEN: Okay, he's not going to 6 purpose of the bill, you can tell her what the purpose 7 7 answer that question. You're asking for matters that of Senate Bill 14 was. 8 В are covered by the legislative privilege. A. The purpose of the bill was to preserve the 9 9

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MS. WESTFALL: Mr. Sweeten, I believe I'm allowed to ask foundational questions about any conversations related to that purpose, pursuant to Paragraph 2 of the order entered today by the Court. Do you disagree?

MR. SWEETEN: Do you want to cite for me where you -- where you think that that would allow that question?

MS. WESTFALL: The final -- the final sentence of the Order.

MR. SWEETEN: Okay. Let's go to -- I need Paragraph 1.

Actually, Counsel, your -- your question, as I have said on several occasions, and I think we've on most occasions you've been able to move beyond that, integrity of the ballot box.

 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) So in answer to my question, are you answering no, that no part of the purpose of Senate Bill 14 was to decrease the number of Hispanic voters? Is that your testimony today?

MR. SWEETEN: You can answer that,

A. I'm answering that the purpose of the bill was to preserve the integrity of the ballot box.

MS. WESTFALL: Okay, Mr. Sweeten --MR. SWEETEN: You can ask -- you can answer the converse of that, as she's asking it: Was --

A. Ask the question again.

Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Was any part of the purpose of Senate Bill 14 to decrease the number of Hispanic voters?

A. No.

Q. Was any part of the purpose of Senate Bill 14



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#### 273 275 to decrease the number of any other group of minority 1 1 matters that would reveal his thoughts, mental 2 2 voters? impressions, opinions about the legislation. We have, 3 A. No. 3 for the record, let you ask as to the purpose of each of 4 Q. Was any part of the purpose of Senate Bill 14 4 those bills and the answer has been consistent on that 5 to discriminate in any way against any group or groups issue, so --6 MS. WESTFALL: | appreciate --6 of minority voters? 7 A. No. 7 MR. SWEETEN: -- we're not going to let 8 8 Q. And I want to -- do you understand that the him --9 last three questions that I've asked pertained to the 9 MS. WESTFALL: I appreciate your 10 purpose, as you understand it, both from the public 10 testimony, but we're here to --11 record of the consideration of Senate Bill 14 and 11 MR. SWEETEN: Elizabeth, I'm trying to 12 outside of the public record? Do you understand that? 12 make sure the record is clear. We've got complicated 13 13 A. No. privilege issues, we've got court orders that we're -we're both trying to give the utmost consideration to, 14 Q. You don't understand that? 14 15 MR. SWEETEN: 1 -- I think, when you 15 and I have at all times done so today. And I'm trying 16 16 prefaced the question, I told him both. to make sure that the record here is clear about what 17 17 And so I think that -- I mean, she's -we're discussing. 19 18 she's just asking what is the purpose of the bill based A. Privilege. 19 19 on matters of -- based on your understanding of the bill Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Was one of the purposes of 20 20 and based on matters of the public record, both, what is Senate Bill 14 -- strike that. 21 the purpose of the bill. So in answering --21 Was one of the purposes of previous photo 22 THE WITNESS: I responded to --22 bill -- ID bills before Senate Bill 14 to prevent 23 MR. SWEETEN: She's - she's now answering 23 non-citizens from voting? 24 -- she's now asking you, in those three questions where 24 MR. SWEETEN: I think these questions have 25 25 been asked and answered all throughout the day. I think you said, "no," on all three of those, was that part of 274 276 1 the -- are you using both your understanding of the bill 1 he has told you on each singular bill what the purpose as well as the matters of the public record in answering 2 of it was. So if you're now asking him as a whole, as a 3 the question? 3 group, I think the very same question, I'm going allow 4 A. Yes. 4 you to answer it, but we're not going to keep - we're 5 5 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) That is correct? not going to keep, you know, there's no point in 6 6 A. Yes. continuing to go back and do this. You're starting --7 7 Q. Thank you. Was any part of the purpose of this is starting to be harassing of this witness. 8 Senate Bill 14, either on the public record or outside 8 So I'm going let you go ahead and answer 9 the public record, for partisan purposes? 9 her question. I'm going ask the court reporter could 10 10 A. No. read it back. 11 Q. Was any part of the purpose of Senate Bill 14 11 And I'm going to claim privilege on that 12 to depress the participation of registered Democrats in 12 question. 13 elections? 13 MR. SWEETEN: Well, let -- I'm going to 14 14 A. No. have a discussion with -- with him regarding the issue 15 Q. How do you know that? 15 of privilege and we'll --16 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, that asks for him 16 Can you read the question back? 17 17 to go in to his -- or reveal his thoughts, mental (The requested portion was read by the 18 impressions, opinions as well as communications that 18 reporter.) 19 he's had regarding the issue. 19 MR. SWEETEN: Okay. Now, I - I think I 20 Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did the purposes of photo ID 20 see what the problem is. You're asking about bills that

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MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to object. I

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differences between bills. I think that calls for

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other people filed. You're asking about bills that --

let him, as to the legislation that you've already

that were never passed. You're asking all of these in

one loaded question. And some of this would reveal his

mental impressions and thoughts about the bills. I will

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asked, I will let him answer the -- what the purpose of those bills was. He -- which he's -- which he's done. And if you want to go through those bills and ask that specific question, I think that -- that we would let him do that.

He's also indicated he'd like to discuss, so I think there may be some matters of privilege that he's concerned about and wants to discuss with me, so would ask for a short --

MS. WESTFALL: Would you like a recess?

MR. SWEETEN: Yeah, I'd like a recess.

MS. WESTFALL: Before we you go off the record, I do want to take objection with your accusation that I'm harassing your witness. I am trying to get through the outline as rapidly as possible. All the questions are relevant under Arlington Heights, Mr. Sweeten. And I'm going through the bills, some of the questions repeat from bill to bill, but this is all within the scope of relevance. And I don't think you have taken objection to any of the relevance of the questions that I have asked.

MR. SWEETEN: Well, I've tried to make it clear that I think we've -- I've -- we've had all day to let you -- let him answer the question of purpose. And I think for you to continue to go back to the same issue

MR SWEETEN: I'm going to object to the extent you're now going into having him reveal thoughts, mental impressions or opinions about legislation, and that would be subject to legislative privilege.

A. Privilege.

MR. SWEETEN: It also misstates his testimony.

Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Has anyone ever told you they wouldn't vote because they were concerned that voter fraud would cancel out their vote?

MR. SWEETEN: Don't reveal matters of legislative privilege.

A. Privilege.

- Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you aware of any conversations regarding anyone saying they wouldn't vote because they were concerned that voter fraud would cancel out their vote?
  - A. No.

Q. Would a registered voter, who has voted in previous elections who was refused a regular ballot because of this law, still have confidence in the voting system in Texas?

MR. SWEETEN: Objection, you're asking him to reveal his thoughts, mental impressions or opinions about legislation. Privilege.

I think is causing difficulty here.

MS. WESTFALL: Mr. Sweeten, I'm asking about purposes for different bills. We cannot assume that purpose for each bill is different from year-to-year, and I have a right to examine on different bills and different – and the purposes. And now we're on Senate Bill 14, which is the subject of this litigation.

MR. SWEETEN: And he has completely answered what the purpose is of Senate Bill 14. It mean, ad nauseam he's answered that question.

MS. WESTFALL: Why don't you just take a recess.

(Recess from 5:20 to 5:33 p.m.)

- Q. (By Ms. Westfall) So I believe you testified that the purpose of Senate Bill 14 was to restore confidence or electoral integrity or something along those lines; is that right?
- A. Restore the integrity of the ballot box or protect the integrity of the ballot box.
- Q. Has Texas ever had a photo ID requirement prior to the enactment of Senate Bill 14?
  - A. No.
- Q. What do you mean by "restoring confidence" in the system?
  - A. Our goal --

A. Privilege.

Q. (By Ms. Westfall) How about a student who has an ID from the University of Texas, and that's the sole ID that he or she has, would that person have a level of confidence in Texas's voting system under this law?

MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative privilege.

A. Privilege.

Q. (By Ms. Westfati) What about the person who has to take time off from work and go to a DPS office, Department of Public Safety office or driver's license office, to get an election identification certificate, would that person have confidence in the system?

MR. SWEETEN: Same objection.

A. Privilege.

Q. (By Ms. Westfall) What about a person who has to wait to get a copy of a birth certificate or a copy of a court order in order to get ID to vote under Senate Bill 14, would that person have confidence in the system?

MR. SWEETEN: Again, you're asking him to reveal his thoughts or mental impressions about legislation. Objection, privilege.

- A. Privilege.
- Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Did you in any part intend



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1	that SB 14 would be designed to increase voter turnout	1	Janice McCoy testified yesterday that it
2	in the state of Texas?	2	was her view that "I'm not advised" means "I don't
3	MR. SWEETEN: The question was, did he	3	know." Do you agree with that testimony by Ms. McCoy?
4	what?	4	MR. SWEETEN: Same objection to the
5	<ul> <li>Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Is SB 14 designed or does it</li> </ul>	5	question. You can answer to the extent you can.
6	have any purpose to increase voter turnout in the state	6	A. Privilege.
7	of Texas?	7	(Exhibit 47 marked for identification.)
8	<ul> <li>A. The purpose of the bill was to protect the</li> </ul>	8	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You've just been handed
9	integrity of the ballot box.	9	Exhibit 47. Do you recognize this document?
10	Q. So I take it the answer is no?	10	<ul> <li>A. Appears to be the Senate Journal of the fifth</li> </ul>
11	<ul> <li>A. The answer is that we designed the bill to</li> </ul>	11	day, Wednesday, January the 26th.
12	protect the integrity of the ballot box.	12	Q. Thank you. And on this day, did the Senate
13	<ul> <li>Q. And that's the sole reason you testified about</li> </ul>	13	consider floor amendments to Senate Bill 14?
14	today; is that correct?	14	<ul> <li>A. I believe we did the second reading, which</li> </ul>
15	<ul> <li>A. That was our yes, that's the reason, yes.</li> </ul>	15	would include the amendments.
16	Q. Thank you.	16	Q. Thank you.
17	During do you remember Floor	17	And could I direct your attention to Page
18	consideration of Senate Bill 14?	18	119 of this document?
19	A. Floor consideration?	19	A. Okay.
20	Q. Yes.	20	<ul> <li>Q. Turning your attention to Amendment 13, do you</li> </ul>
21	A. Do I remember?	21	recall that Senator Davis introduced an amendment to
22	Q. Yes.	22	include a provision in Senate Bill 14 that would allow
23	A. Some month.	23	individuals to use an ID that is unexpired or has
24	Q. Yes. Did you answer many, many, many questions	24	expired at some time since the last general election?
25	about the bill by saying you were not advised? Is that	25	Do you recall that amendment?
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1	right? Do you remember that?	1	A. Yes.
2	MR. SWEETEN: Objection,	2	Q. Are you aware of whether the Indiana photo ID
3	argumentative. Objection, vague. Go ahead.	3	law includes such a provision in its photo ID law?
4	<ul><li>Q. (By Ms. Westfall) You may answer.</li></ul>	4	A. I don't know.
5	MR. SWEETEN: You can answer. It's about	5	Q. And did you move to table this amendment?
6	the public record.	6	A. Yes
7	A. No, I did not answer many, many, many	7.	Q. And why did you move to table this amendment?
8	questions.	8	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative
9	Q. How about dozens of questions?	9	privilege.
10	A. Probably dozens of questions.	10	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Bear with me. Could you
11	Q. And what did you mean by "I am not advised"?	11	turn your attention to Page 130 at Floor Amendment
12 13	MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to object. You're	12	Number 30,
14	asking what he meant by "I'm not advised," that he said	13	A. I don't believe i have 130.
15	dozens of times. So how would be possibly given the	14	Q. 130.
16	context of that, there's no way he can answer that question.	15 16	MR. SWEETEN: Page 130, it's up here on
17	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you understand the	17	the left of the page numbers here.  MS. WESTFALL: Yeah. You may want to take
18	question?	18	off the clip.
19	A. Yes.	19	MR. SWEETEN: Yeah. There's 130 right
20	Q. What did you mean by "I am not advised"?	20	there.
21	A. I'll be glad, if you've give me specific	21	MS. WESTFALL: Thank you, Mr. Sweeten.
22	examples of a question, and then I'll tell you, if it	22	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Directing your attention to
23	applies, why I answered that way.	23	Floor Amendment Number 30, do you recall that Senator
24	Q. Okay. Well, we can go through that maybe at a	24	Ellis introduced an amendment or offered an amendment to
25	later time.	25	Senate Bill 14 that would have required the Secretary of



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1	State to conduct a study that would have included	1	A. Uh-huh.
2	information about the number of eligible voters who are	2	Q. Did this amendment allow for the counting of
3	prevented from voting or had to vote provisionally	3	provisional ballots of voters who are indigent and
4	because of a tack of identification and an analysis of	4	unable to obtain ID because of cost? Do you recall this
5	this group by race?	5	amendment?
6	A. Is there a question there?	6	A. I don't believe it is as you described it, no.
7	Q. Yes. Do you recall this amendment?	7	Q. How would you describe it?
8	A. Yes.	8	A. It is as it's laid out.
9	Q. Did you vote to table this amendment introduced	9	Q. Are you aware of whether the Indiana photo ID
10	by Senator Ellis?	10	requirement allows for the counting of provisional
11	A. Yes.	11	ballots of someone who is indigent and unable to obtain
12	Q. Why would conducting a study have interfered	12	photo ID because of the cost of that ID?
13	with the purpose that you have described in enacting	13	A. No.
14	Senate Bill 14?	14	Q. Did you vote to table this amendment? Sir, is
15		15	your vote on this amendment recorded in the Senate
16	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative privilege.	16	Journal or no?
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17	A. Privilege.	18	A. You're a step ahead of yourself.     Q. Oh?
18	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Were you concerned that such	1	
19	a study would show that minorities are	19	A. She offered an amendment to the deal, so the
20	disproportionately impacted by Senate Bill 14?	20	motion was to table the amended motion.
21	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative	21	Q. And how did you vote on that motion?
22	privilege.	22	A. Voted to table.
23	A. Privilege.	23	Q. Why did you do that?
24	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Turning your attention to	24	MR. SWEETEN: Oh. Objection, legislative
25	Page 118, turning your attention to Floor Amendment	25	privilege.
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1	Number 12 listed on Page 118, do you see that?	1	A. Privilege.
2	A. Okay.	2	<ul> <li>Q. (By Ms. Westfall) How would including this</li> </ul>
3	Q. Do you recall that Senator Davis introduced an	3	provision in Senate Bill 14 have interfered with the
4	amendment to prohibit state agencies from charging fees	4	accomplishment of the goals of your legislation?
5	for the issuance of any acceptable form of photo ID	5	MR. SWEETEN: Same objection, legislative
6	under Senate Bill 14 or for the underlying documents	6	privilege.
7	that may be required to obtain an acceptable form of ID?	7	A. Privilege.
8	A. Yes.	8	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Turning your attention now
9	Q. Did you move to table this amendment?	9	to Page 129, turning your attention to Floor Amendment
10	A. Yes.	10	29, do you see that.
11	Q. How would this amendment have interfered with	11	A. Uh-huh.
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12	the stated purpose of enacting Senate Bill 14, which was	1	Q. Yes?
12 13	the stated purpose of enacting Senate Bill 14, which was to ensure integrity of the ballot box?	13	A. Yes.
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13	to ensure integrity of the ballot box?	13	A. Yes.
13 14	to ensure integrity of the ballot box?  MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative	13 14	<ul><li>A. Yes.</li><li>Q. Did Senator Gallegos offer an amendment that</li></ul>
13 14 15	to ensure integrity of the ballot box?  MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative privilege.	13 14 15	A. Yes.     Q. Did Senator Gallegos offer an amendment that would have required driver license offices to be open.
13 14 15 16	to ensure integrity of the ballot box?  MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative privilege.  A. Privilege.	13 14 15 16	A. Yes.     Q. Did Senator Gallegos offer an amendment that would have required driver license offices to be open until 7 p.m. one week day and during four or more hours.
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1	A. Privilege.	1	the question, sir?
2	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you have any concern that	2	MS. WESTFALL: Or you, Mr. Sweeten?
3	individuals who work an hourly wage may have a difficult	3	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, calls for
4	time in getting to a driver's license office during	4	speculation. You can answer to the extent you know.
5	business hours?	5	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Do you know?
6	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, legislative	6	
7	privilege.	7	A. The question – repeat the question again.
8	A. Privilege.	8	MS. WESTFALL: Could you repeat the
.9	MS. WESTFALL: Can we go off the record	9	question, court reporter.
10	for one moment?	10	(Record read back again.)
11	MR. SWEETEN: No objection.	11	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, vague. Go ahead.
12	(Discussion off the record.)	12	A. The purpose of the bill still is to protect the
13	(Exhibit 48 marked for identification.)	13	integrity of voting, and public support is certainly
14	MS. WESTFALL: Back on the record.	14	it's good that we have that.
15		1	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) If it was unpopular, would
16	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) I'm handing you what's been	15	you still have moved forward with Senate Bill 14?
1	oh, go ahead.	16	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, You're now
17	MR. SWEETEN: I'm sorry.	17	asking about his thoughts, mental impressions or
18	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) I'm handing you what's been	18	opinions about legislation. It's legislatively
19 20	marked as US Exhibit 48. Do you recognize This document?	19 20	privileged.
21		1	A. Privilege.
22	A. Appears to be from the Texas Tribune.	21	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Are you invoking the
23	Q. Have you seen this article before?	22	privilege?
1	A. I read it last night.	23	A. (Witness nods head yes.) Privilege.
24 25	Q. Wonderful. Could you turn your attention to	24	Q. Do you see also in this article that you're
23	the second page of the document?	25	quoted as saying, "Polls show that people are less
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1	A. Okay.	1	likely to vote if they believe their ballot will not be
2	Q. And do you see at the top of the page that	2	fairly counted"?
3	there are some quotations from you, attributed to you,	3	A. Yes.
4	concerning the Justice Department's rejection of Texas	4	Q. Do you think that's a fair representation of
5	voter ID law, as you phrase it? Do you see that?	5	something that you've said?
6	A. Yes.	6	A. It's printed and I also said it on the record.
7	<ul> <li>Q. And do you see that you cite a Lighthouse</li> </ul>	7	Q. Can you identify any people who have indicated
8	opinion, polling and research poll, in the middle of the	8	to you that they were less likely to vote because they
9	page?	9	believe their ballot will not be fairly counted?
10	A. Yes.	10	APD CIATURE Double over the state of the sta
1	7. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7	}	MR. SWEETEN: Don't reveal matters that
11	Q. In your view, does public support for Senate	11	are privileged in answering the question.
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11 12 13	Q. In your view, does public support for Senate Bill 14 have anything to do with its purpose, as you stated and testified today?	1	are privileged in answering the question.
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11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23	O. In your view, does public support for Senate Bill 14 have anything to do with its purpose, as you stated and testified today?  MR. SWEETEN: Don't reveal matters of legislative privilege. You can refer to matters of public records and public statements.  MS. WESTFALL: Mr. Sweeten, this is in the public record.  MR. SWEETEN: What are you specifically asking him?  MS. WESTFALL: Well, my question stands.  MR. SWEETEN: Can you read the question back, please?	12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23	are privileged in answering the question.  A. Privilege.  Q. (By Ms. Westfall) What polls were you referring to in that statement, sir? It's at the — the sentence that indicates, "Polls show that people are less likely to vote if they believe their ballot will not be fairly counted." Do you see that?  A. Uh-huh.  Q. Could you tell me what polls you're referring to?  A. That is a quote that was taken from my opening comments in 2009, and so no, I don't have the poll, but it was a poll that I, you know, I had at that time.



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1	A. No, I do not.	1	have a harmful and retrogressive effect on minority
2	Q. Do you have a legislative ID as a member of the	2	voters?
3	Texas Senate?	3	A. No.
4	A. Yes, I do.	4	<ul> <li>Q. If you are called to trial in this action, will</li> </ul>
5	Q. Does it have a photograph on it?	5	you testify that Senate Bill 14 has no discriminatory
6	A. Yes, it does.	6	purpose?
7	Q. Does it prove your identity?	7	A. Yes.
8	A. Yes.	8	<ul> <li>Q. If called to trial on this action, will you</li> </ul>
9	<ul> <li>Q. Do other forms of photo ID, in addition to</li> </ul>	9	testify that Senate Bill 14 does not have a
10	legislative ID that have a picture on it, prove one's	10	discriminatory effect upon minority voters?
11	identity in addition to the forms of ID listed in Senate	11	A. Does not.
12	Bill 14?	12	MS. WESTFALL: I would like to at this
13	MR. SWEETEN: Objection, vague.	13	time conclude the questioning of the witness.
14	<ul> <li>A. If you want to narrow it down, I'll answer the</li> </ul>	14	Obviously we're leaving the deposition open pending
15	question.	15	resolution of the motion to compel to be filed shortly.
16	Q. (By Ms. Westfall) Otherwise, are you refusing	16	I will turn over the questioning to
17	to answer my question, sir?	17	counsel for Defendant Interveners.
18	<ul> <li>A. No. I'm asking you to clarify your question.</li> </ul>	18	EXAMINATION
19	<ul> <li>Q. Are any other photo IDs that we have referred</li> </ul>	19	BY MR. ROSENBERG:
20	to today, including student IDs, employee IDs, expired	20	Q. I will ask your indulgence. I will try not to
21	state licenses, out-of-state state licenses that have a	21	go too far over, although we're reserving our right to
22	photograph, do those prove a person's identity?	22	ask, as is the DOJ, to continue this deposition, if
23	<ul> <li>A. I'll be glad to address those one at a time if</li> </ul>	23	necessary, to bring back the Senator. I'm Ezra
24	you'd like.	24	Rosenberg. I'm going to ask you a few questions right
25	<ul> <li>Q. We may have time to do that another day.</li> </ul>	25	now.
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2	at.	2	"Notwithstanding Subsection A of this rule," and
3	Q. Which says, "Any bill, resolution, or other	3	Subsection A of this rule is the two-thirds rule,
4	measure, may on any day be made a special order for a	4	
5		1	right? So notwithstanding the two-thirds rule, a bill
	future time of the session by an affirmative vote of	5	relating to voter identification requirements may be
6	two-thirds of the members present," right?	6	reported on the basis of a majority rule, a majority
7	A. Yes.	7	vote, correct? That's what that means?
8	Q. Did I read that correctly?	8	A. No.
9	A. (Witness nods head yes.)	9	Q. Then tell me what that means.
10	Q. So that's not an example of a special order	10	<ol> <li>You're asking the questions.</li> </ol>
11	being put in the rules, that's they talk about a bill	11	Q. That's right. I'm asking the questions. I
12	being made a special order, correct?	12	asked you to tell me what that means.
13	A. Who is "they"?	13	A, What?
14	Q. The Senate, in this rule, talks about any bill	14	Q. 5.11D, what does that mean?
15	may on any day be made a special order, correct?	15	A. It says "Notwithstanding Subsection A of this
16	A. Yes.	16	rule, a bill or resolution relating to the voter
17	Q. All right. So there are certain times when	17	identification requirements reported favorably from the
18	bills are made special orders, correct?	18	Committee of the Whole, shall be set as a special order
19	A. That's what this reads, yes.	19	at a time at least 24 hours after the motion is adopted
20	Q. And when are those times that bills are made	20	by the majority of the members of the Senate."
21	special orders?	21	Q. What relationship does 5.11D have to 5.11A?
22	A. I couldn't project that without knowing the	22	A. "Notwithstanding A." It is not subject to A.
23	specific bill and the request of the bill.	23	Q. Okay, fine. So voter identification
24	Q. Is one of the times that a bill is made a	24	requirements are not subject to 5.11A, correct?
25	special order when there is a blockage bill?	25	A. Yes.
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305 307 1 specific conversations that he's had. I think -- I have already answered that question of the three that 2 don't think he has to reveal that. That's beyond just a would be included. So if you're going to qualify your 3 general subject matter description. question, anyone other than the three that I have 4 MR. ROSENBERG: I really disagree. mentioned Q. Well, I -- when I first asked you the question 5 Q. (By Mr. Rosenberg) I'll change it to the 5 6 effect of, if any, of SB 14 on minorities? which resulted in you giving me the names of Senator Van 7 A. Ask the question again, please. de Putte and Whitmire, I didn't specify the effect, if 8 Q. Sure. Did you have any discussions, not on the 8 any, on minorities. So now you're telling me that the 9 public record, as to the effect -conversations that you had with Senator Van de Putte. 10 A. I'm sorry. I don't understand "not in the 10 Senator Whitmire, and Senator Ellis had to do with the 11 aublic record." 11 effect, if any, of SB 14 on minorities; is that correct? 12 Q. Well, meaning, as I think your counsel has 12 A. I'm saying that it was part of the total 13 advised, that they're taking the position that 13 conversation. 14 legislative privilege applies to anything that's not on 14 Q. Other than those conversations, did you have 15 the public record. And I think that has been stated 15 discussions with any other legislators concerning the 16 over and over again. So I'm using your counsel's 16 effect, if any, of SB 14 on minorities? 17 17 terminalogy 18 And my question is: At any time, did you 18 Q. Did you have discussions off the public record 19 have discussions with anyone, that was not on the public 19 with anyone from executive agencies as to the effect, if 20 record, concerning the effect, if any, of SB 14 on 20 any, of SB 14 on minorities? 21 21 22 A. And you're including legislators in session? 22 Q. Did you have discussions with any constituents 23 23 Q. No, no. Off the public record. During the or lobbyists or public interest groups as to the effect, 24 session, yes, so long as it's not on what your counsel 24 if any, of SB 14 on minorities? 25 considers the public record. 25 A. No. 308 MR. SWEETEN: As phrased, I'm going to let 1 Q. Did you have discussions with anyone concerning 2 you answer whether or not you had such conversations 2 the effect, if anything, if any, on election results of 3 with anyone, whether or not you did. Don't reveal any 3 SB 14? 4 substance --4 A. Not to my knowledge. A. I did not have conversations that were not 5 5 Q. And that includes discussions with legislators, 6 privileged. 6 with anyone from the executive agencies, Governor, 7 MR. SWEETEN: Okay. And you're not going 7 Lieutenant Governor, and constituents? 8 to reveal any of the substance of any such conversations 8 A. Not to my knowledge. 9 but you can reveal whether or not you've had a 9 Q. I'd like you to take a look at United States 10 conversation with someone --10 Exhibit -- Department of Justice Exhibit 46. 11 A. Liust -11 A. Which is 46? 12 MR. SWEETEN: -- on the issue of that. 12 Q. Should be in your batch there. And turn to 13 A. The question before this, I disclosed 13 Page 74, please. And if you see, there's a quote from 14 conversations I had with Van de Putte and --14 you, and I'm going to focus your attention on the last 15 MR. SWEETEN: Whitmire. 15 sentence where it says, last two sentences, you're 16 A. -- Whitmire, and I've also said earlier that I 16 asking, "Have I done that?" Oh, actually, we should 17 had a conversation with Ellis. 17 have to give context to this. 18 Q. (By Mr. Rosenberg) Right. 18 And I want you to turn a page back to 19 19 A. That sits next to me. And so I've already where Senator Watson says, "Well, and I'm looking 20 testified to those conversations. 20 forward to that. I'm saying to you, though, with regard 21 Q. Well, this is a different question. My 21 to your bill, Senate Bill 362, are you familiar with any 22 question is specifically: Conversations not on the 22 data or study that's been done with regard to some sort

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309 311 year," et cetera. Indiana and Georgia on their voting results, and it came 2 MR. SWEETEN: We -- Ezra, we've lost -- we 2 from data that they had collected and that was about to 3 go from Page 74 to 89. 3 4 A. We don't --4 Q. (By Mr. Rosenberg) Okay. And this will be the 5 MR. ROSENBERG: No, no. Go back to Page 5 one and only exhibit that I will mark. 6 73. I'm sorry. I was going back a page. 6 (Exhibit 49 marked for identification.) 7 MR. SWEETEN: Okay. He's going here. 7 Q. (By Mr. Rosenberg) Senator, I'm showing you 8 В MR. ROSENBERG: Right. I was trying to what's been marked as Exhibit 49, and turning your 9 Р give context to this. attention to the page number 48, which is the first page 10 10 MR. SWEETEN: Here, that's what he with testimony on it, with discussion. And the first 11 read. You can read that. 11 paragraph -- and I will represent, by the way, that this 12 Q. (By Mr. Rosenberg) Have you had a chance to 12 is an excerpt from a statement by you and I think -- can 13 read that, Senator? 13 you verify that from your own memory? 14 A. I have. 14 A. Yes. 15 Q. You see where on Page 74, where you're saying, 15 Q. Okay. And you're quoting from the Baker-Carter 16 you're asking, "Have I done that? The answer is no." 16 Commission that I think you talked about before. 17 The phrase, "The answer is no," does that refer to doing 17 18 statistical analyses? 18 Q. And you say, "And regardless of whether one 19 MR. SWEETEN: You can -- don't reveal your 19 believe that voter impersonation is widespread or 20 thoughts, mental impressions, opinions about 20 relatively rare, it can be no serious dispute that it is 21 legislation. You can reference the public record. 21 a real effect that can be substantial, because in a 22 22 A. The -- the statement speaks for itself. close election, even a small amount of fraud can make 23 Q. (By Mr. Rosenberg) Well, what does it mean? 23 the margin of difference." Do you see that? 24 A. Privilege. 24 25 Q. So you're telling me that you won't answer 25 Q. And is that a statement with which you agree? 310 312 1 under privilege the public statement that you made that, 1 A. That is a statement that I pulled from the 2 quote, "The answer is no," end quote? 2 Baker and Carter commission. 3 A. (Conferring.) 3 Q. And did you quote it because you agreed with 4 MR. ROSENBERG: Fine. Let's move on. 4 it? 5 Look, we don't have all night. If that's your position, 5 6 6 Q. And what did you mean then by using the words 7 MR. SWEETEN: Ezra, you're already over. 7 "can make a difference"? 8 MR. ROSENBERG: I understand, but it would 8 A. I repeated what they had quoted from their 9 9 be a lot easier if I was getting answers. quote. 10 10 Q. And what did you understand the phrase "can MR. SWEETEN: Lunderstand. But I mean, 11 we're sitting here trying to analyze your question as to 11 make a difference" to mean from their quote? 12 whether or not we think it invades privilege. Just give 12 I understood it can make a difference. 13 us a second. 13 Q. Do you -- are you -- were you taking it to 14 A. I think it's clear what I'm saying, and I stand 14 understand that a person who's not supposed to vote and 15 by what I say. 15 votes can make a difference in an election? 16 Q. (By Mr. Rosenberg) Okay, Let's just move on. 16 I take it on its face for what it says. 17 Next phrase, "But I am pulling data from 17 Q. Do you believe that a person who is eligible to 18 the academics that have done that and have delivered 18 vote but can't because he doesn't have a photo ID can back." Did I read that correctly? 19 19 make a difference in an election? A. Yes. 20 20 MR. SWEETEN: Don't reveal your mental 21 Q. What data were you referring to? 21 processes in passing a legislation. It's legislatively 22 22 A. The testimony -privileged. 23 23 Is it all right for me to answer that? A. Privilege. 24 MR. SWEETEN: As to the testimony, yeah. 24 Q. (By Mr. Rosenberg) Generally speaking, as a 25 A. The testimony was about to be delivered from 25 matter of general practice, would you want to create a



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313 315 system that stopped more eligible persons from voting 1 A. Yes, Ido. 2 than stopped ineligible persons from voting? 2 MR. SWEETEN: In answering that question, 3 MR. SWEETEN: Do not reveal your thoughts, 3 don't reveal your thought processes or discussions with 4 mental impressions, opinions about legislation, 4 respect to this -- with respect to this legislation; including Senate Bill 14. Legislatively privileged. Or 5 it's legislatively privileged. You can answer 6 any conversations because it's legislatively 6 otherwise. 7 privileged. Objection. 7 Q. (By Mr. Rosenberg) Have you answered? 8 A. Privilege. 8 A. Ask the question again. 9 Q. (By Mr. Rosenberg) Are you aware, sitting 9 Q. Sure. Are you - do you doubt the -- do you 10 today, here today, of how many Texans don't have photo 10 deny the assertion that minorities have less access to 11 11 driver's license facilities, in terms of having motor 12 12 I do not have the exact number. vehicles -13 Q. Do you have an approximate number? 13 A. "Deny" and "doubt" are different words. 14 A. I have only the data that we received during 14 Q. Well, I'm going to rephrase the question, and 15 the testimony of the bill. 15 your attorney can object or counsel you. 16 Q. And what number is that? 16 Let me just say again. Do you deny the 17 A. I don't have a number. 17 assertion that minorities have less access to driver's 18 Q. Is it more than 500,000? 18 license facilities in terms of motor vehicles or public 19 A. There's no way to know that. 19 transportation? 20 Q. Is it more than the number of voter 20 MR. SWEETEN: Don't reveal your thoughts, 21 impersonations with which you're aware -- of which 21 your mental impressions, your opinions about legislation 22 you're aware? 22 or conversations that you've had. Those are 23 MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to object to the 23 legislatively privileged. 24 extent it calls for his mental impressions, opinions 24 A. Privilege. 25 about legislation, including Senate Bill 14, or to the 25 Q. (By Mr. Rosenberg) Are you aware of assertions 314 316 1 extent that it reveals any conversations he's had with that minorities are more likely to be below the poverty 2 any of the enumerated individuals or agencies we've 2 line and therefore would more difficulty for paying for 3 discussed. 3 the underlying documents necessary to get photo 4 MR. ROSENBERG: But to the extent that 4 identifications than nonminorities? 5 it's in the public record and he has knowledge, he can 5 A. Am I aware of the assertion? 6 testify, even according to your theories. 6 Q. Yes. 7 A. Please show me in the public record what's been 7 A. Yes. 8 said. Q. Do you deny the assertion? 9 Q. (By Mr. Rosenberg) Are you aware of assertions 9 MR. SWEETEN: Don't reveal matters subject 10 on the public record that minorities are less likely to 10 to legislative privilege in answering the question. If 11 have public identification -- photo identification? 11 you can answer the question without doing so, you can. 12 A. Ask the question again, please. 12 A. Privilege. 13 Q. Sure. Are you aware of assertions on the 13 Q. (By Mr. Rosenberg) Do you agree that a person 14 public record that minorities are less likely to have 14 who doesn't have photo identification, doesn't have easy 15 photo identification? 15 access to driver's license facilities, may have to take A. I'm aware that it has been asserted. 16 time off from work in order to go to the driver's 17 Q. Do you disagree with the assertion? 17 license facilities and doesn't have a spare \$22 to pay 18 A. I have no basis to know either way. 18 for underlying documents to get photo identification, 19 Q. Okay. Are you aware of assertions on the 19 may be less likely to vote under SB 14 than people who 20 public record that minorities are less likely to have 20 do have those things? 21 access to driver's license facilities in terms of having 21 MR. SWEETEN: Objection, compound. 22 cars or public transportation? 22 Objection, calls for speculation. Objection, vague. In

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the assertions?

A. I'm aware that assertions have been made.

Q. Do you doubt the assertions? Do you question

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Senate Bill 14 or matters communicated to you within --

impressions or opinions about legislation, including

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1	by any legislators, legislative staff, or other	1	CHANGES AND SIGNATURE
2	enumerated individuals or entities. If you can answer	2	RE: TEXAS VS. HOLDER, ET AL
3	without doing so, you can attempt to answer his	3	PAGE LINE CHANGE REASON
4	question.	4	
5	A. Privilege.	5	
6	Q. (By Mr. Rosenberg) And my last question: Just	6	
7	sitting here today, do you have a basis to disagree that	7	
В	minorities will be disproportionately affected by SB	8	
9	14?	9	
10	MR. SWEETEN: In answering this guestion,	10	
11	do not reveal matters of legislative privilege,	11	
12	including your thoughts, mental impressions about the	12	
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14	legislation, in furtherance of the legislative process,	14	
	or discussions you've had with legislators, legislative	15	
15	staffs, state agencies, Texas Legislative Council, or	16	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
16	constituents. You can refer to matters of the public	I	
17	record in answering the question.	17	
18	A. Privilege.	18	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
19	MR. ROSENBERG: Subject to our moving to	19	L DESILATION TROVERS AND AND AND AND AND AND AND AND AND AND
20	compel, I'm leaving this open after all the privilege	20	I, SENATOR TROY FRASER, have read the foregoing
21	issues and documents are produced, et cetera, I think	21	deposition and hereby affix my signature that same is
22	we're through for the day.	22	true and correct, except as noted above.
23	MR. SWEETEN: Okay, I would like the time	23	
24	total. I would like the time total appended to the	24	<del></del>
25	deposition. And we will reserve questions of Senator	25	SENATOR TROY FRASER
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2	(Deposition concluded at 6:30 p.m.)	2	COUNTY OF)
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4		4	Before me,, on this day
5		5	personally appeared SENATOR TROY FRASER, known to me (or
6		6	proved to me under oath or through
7		7	(description of identity card or other document) to be
8		8	the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing
9		9	instrument and acknowledged to me that they executed the
10		10	same for the purposes and consideration therein
11		11 12	expressed.
12		13	Given under my hand and seal of office
13		14	thisday of, 2012.
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          VS.
  s
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          official capacity as Attorney)
General of the United States,)
                Defendant.
          ERIC KENNIE, et al.
           Defendant-Intervenors, )
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         TEXAS STATE CONFERENCE OF ) CASE NO. 1:12-CV-00128 NAACP BRANCHES, ) (RMC-DST-RLW) ) Three-Judge Court Defendant-Intervenors, )
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          TEXAS LEAGUE OF YOUNG VOTERS ) EDUCATION FUND, et al. )
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Defendant-Intervenors, )
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          TEXAS LEGISLATIVE BLACK
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          CAUCUS, et al,
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           Defendant-Intervenors, )
         VICTORIA RODRIGUEZ, et al., )
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           Defendant-Intervenors.
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MAY 17, 20112
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          the witness;
            That the deposition transcript was submitted on the
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            That the amount of time used by each party at the
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            Mr. Rosenberg: 30 minutes
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         attorneys in the action in which this proceeding was
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         taken, and further that I am not financially or
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         otherwise interested in the outcome of the action.
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